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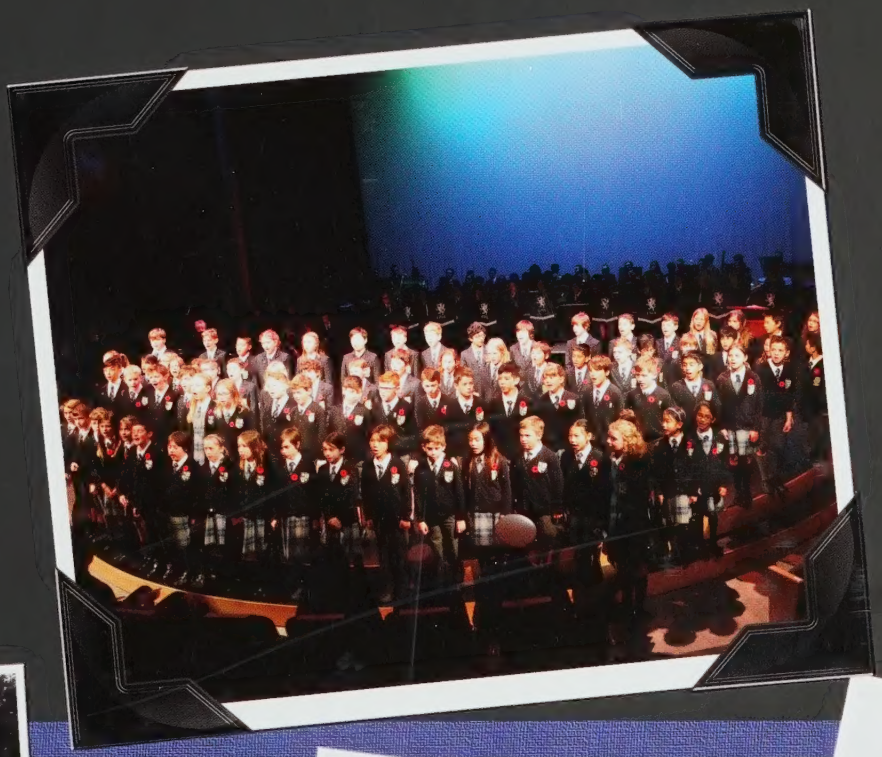

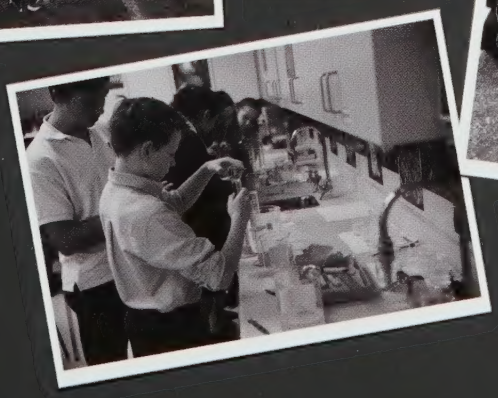

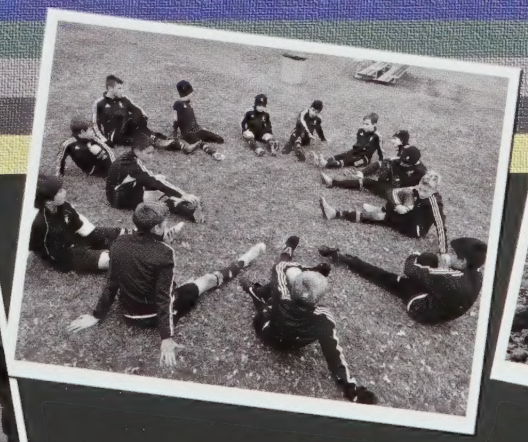

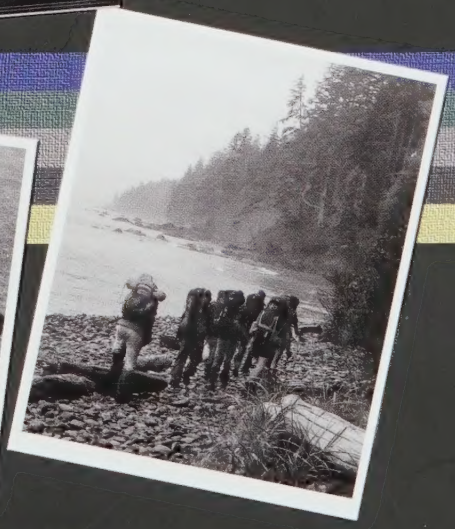

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Glenlyon Norfolk School

We would like to offer some advice to the school. To the students, don't ever feel the need to follow a prescribed path. All too often, we are told what we are good at. Take advantage of the fact that you are exposed to almost every opportunity under the sun. We live in a unique place full of experts, whether you want to act on stage, speak in front of an auditorium of people, display art in public or shoot the winning goal in a city championship, you can do that here. Don't be what you think people expect, instead become the person you want to be because that is when you will truly find yourself the happiest.

Take the time the to learn about each other. The person sitting beside you might have skills or talents you know nothing about. And be kind to one another, we might not all be friends forever but don't miss out on making friends while you're here. You all have the opportunity to rely on each other, you will be doing the same projects and classes so take the time to look for and gain support from the people around you.

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Head of School

Glenn Zederayko

Looking forward for GNS we must start by recognizing our past. There is great wisdom in a wonderful volume chronicling a very important part of our school's history. The book is titled, "Glenlyon Norfolk School: The first ten years a time to reach and realize" It is written by Margaret Robertson and Keith Walker. A section reflecting on the first ten years of Glenlyon Norfolk School as an amalgamated school says: "In the first decade of Glenlyon Norfolk there was no room for complacency. Teachers, students, administrators, Board members and parents stretched towards the possibilities that the new school offered and through their efforts possibilities became realities." This speaks for the school today and in the years to come. As a the GNS community we are fortunate to be able to work together to ensure the ethos that existed in the new amalgamated school continues to prevail. We can continue to shape the school combining and treasuring tradition and innovation. As part of this we have used the Canadian Accredited Independent Schools (CAIS) accreditation process and great feedback and thought from many to engage deeply in work to create a new strategic plan which we look forward to sharing and beginning to implement in the fall. Looking at great feedback, engagement and shared energy from students, faculty, staff, parents and alumni to support the CAIS process and strategic planning we clearly demonstrate that there is still no room for complacency in the GNS community. Thank you for striving to enable each student, current and future to do his or her best through truth and courage.

To the parents you are to be commended for: First, your many contributions to the learning of your children. Second, your positive support of the work of the faculty and staff. Third, your involvement in the life of the school as volunteers and donors. All your effort and attention has made a wonderful impact.

To my colleagues, the GNS teachers and staff, thank you for regularly putting forth strong, caring, compassionate, inspiring and expert efforts. You strive daily to plan and deliver the best possible educational experience to each student in academics, arts, athletics and citizenship. You also work diligently to partner effectively with parents as a team that does its best for each student.....So what is the result?.... It is great! GNS students across the grades regularly participate in highly engaged and inspired learning. They also eagerly take part in many significant efforts that make GNS, the community and the world even better.

Junior School Principal

Jean Bigelow

As I leaf through this yearbook, I have enjoyed remembering the huge number of events, activities and learning opportunities our students have experienced. From our youngest students embracing the outdoors at Nature School, through to the Grade 5 Exhibition, our students have challenged themselves, pushing their personal limits and learning more than they might have thought possible. When I speak to parents I often hear how happy their children are at school and how much they wish they had had similar experiences when they were children.

I love the confidence our students show to others when demonstrating their learning, giving tours to guests, or presenting in a Friday Morning Live. They consistently live up to the motto of doing their best with truth and courage, and this book reminds us of some of the more memorable events that have shaped our year. This year has been especially poignant as we look ahead to the campus transformation with lots of changes coming soon. For now, we have enjoyed our environment as it has been for many years, while feeling the rise in excitement for what it is to come.

It is my absolute privilege to be part of this magical place with such a strong team of teachers and support staff, and amazing children who love to learn, have fun and take part in everything that is offered!

Middle School Principal

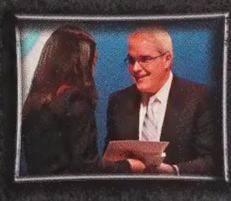
Jake Burnett

It has become a tradition that, each year, I present every member of the Middle School with a token to remember the fabulous events that have unfolded within the Middle School. Some key words, too, that every student in this room has heard are: 'you can all do this' and 'you all have this in you' and 'we all believe in you', especially in assemblies. So this year, to show exactly that, GNS has made a donation to ten separate charities, all chosen by Middle School students. Each student will be given a card to acknowledge this from their homeform teachers, when they are called up onto the stage. The message here is that we, the school, believes in you, values you, and wants to empower you. But these cards represent more than a donation. This is a reminder of the act of giving (not necessarily dollars and cents) to others. The flip side of the postcard is a reminder of the wonderful motto we have lived by this year to 'make and take every opportunity'. There is also the takeaway thought: this year I am asking everyone to reflect on the events of the year and remind themselves that they can 'all do it' and they all 'have this in them' and think how they might be able to pay this forward.
I have seen examples of service in the Middle School as being wide and varied this year, including: playing the piano in a seniors home, helping out at the United Way, painting the set for Alice in Wonderland, working on the Oak Bay half marathon stand, helping Grandpa to recover after surgery, removing ivy from Willows Beach or snow plowing neighbours' driveways . This is a reminder of the importance of service in our lives, and of giving time, effort and dedication to helping others to make a difference in the world so that it just becomes 'something we all do'. As I was sitting in the audience in the Junior School Closing Ceremonies yesterday, I was reminded, with the extensive building work that has just now started, of the enormous importance of 'giving back' within our community. This sort of reminder will be made more immediate on this campus when we start back next academic year with some amazing renovations to our gym, and Chromebooks in the hands of all Middle School students. None of these would be possible without the sense of 'sustained philanthropy' that I am happy to say all of our Middle School students know about.
The ability to help others in this way gives everyone a sense of presence and meaning. It adds to our belief in the positivity of our community. It helps us to celebrate together.

Senior School Principal

Doug Palm

It has been a wonderful first year for me at GNS. You were all so incredibly welcoming to me right from the very first day of the year. As a teacher and then a principal, getting to know the students and creating those strong relationships has been a priority for me. However, with only one year together, I didn't want to seem presumptuous in describing you all. Fortunately, I had some people who have known you for much longer – all the wonderful staff and teachers at the Pemberton Woods campus! I challenged them to describe you as a group with three words. It's quite an impressive list! The most repeated words include in order: Creative, Talented, Caring, Thoughtful, Fun, Energetic, Supportive and Exuberant! I leave you with three words to help to put your future ideas; your passions and dreams into action: STRIVE: This word challenges you to stretch yourselves. To continually find new activities to attempt, new places to discover, new people to meet and new ways to define yourselves as individuals. Your insistence to strive to be your best allows you to become stronger and more nimble for the next challenge and opportunity you face. This does mean that there may be mistakes made along the way. You will become more resilient and ready for a new opportunity. STRIVE.... SURROUND: Surround yourself with 5 significant people. While it would be valuable to ensure that these people are ones that are supporters of you (your entourage, if you will), more important would be those that challenge you, are willing to question your decisions if necessary, and to be able to mentor you. Find those 5 people who will demand you to be your best! SURROUND...SHARE: You have such an amazing array of meaningful gifts, talent, knowledge and character traits. Don't lose sight of the importance that you have a responsibility to share these - with the world and especially with those whom are less fortunate than yourselves. As you have all shown at GNS, through your community and service, giving of your time and yourselves has not only a profound effect on the people you help, but equally on how it makes you feel and the confidence it brings you. Sharing can be summarized as: "Looking outwards allows us to grow inwards!" Just think about the potential effect your class can have! It's inspiring to think what your amazing talents and gifts will provide!



The Junior School

Life at The Beach

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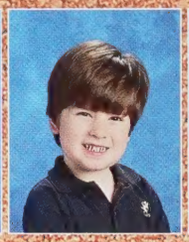

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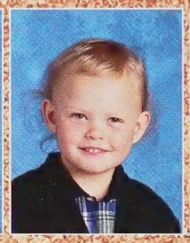

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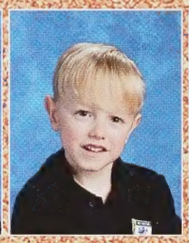

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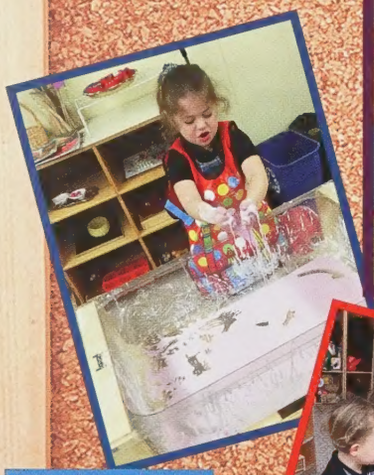

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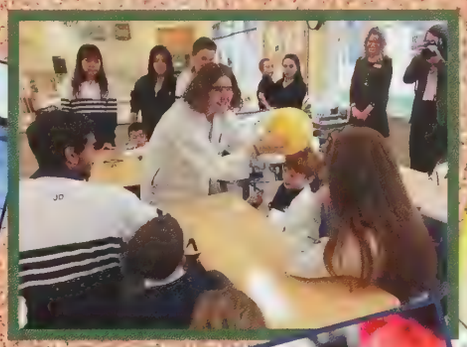

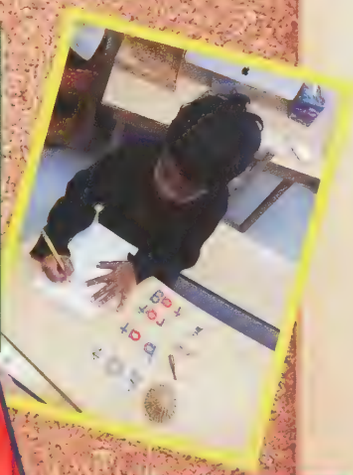

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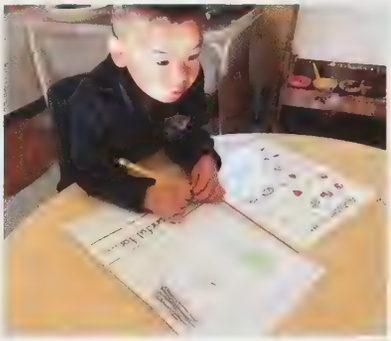

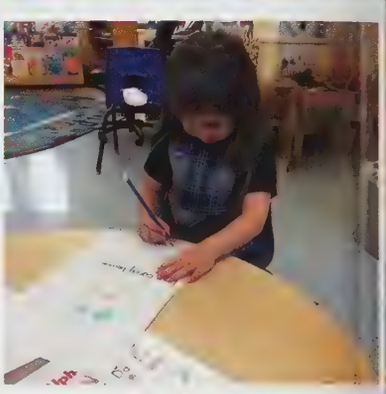

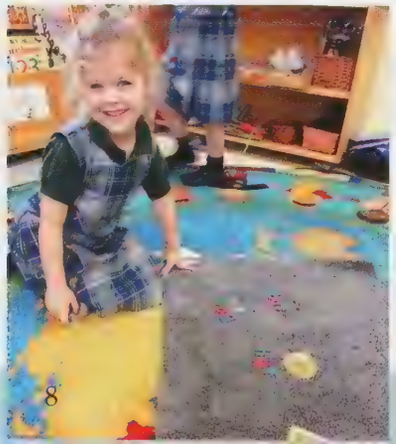

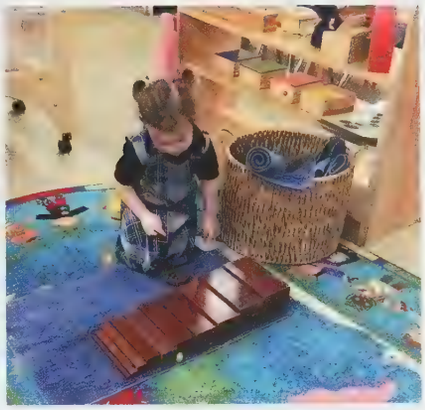

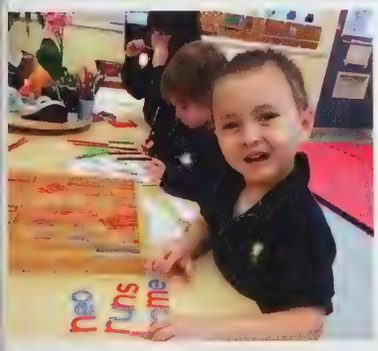

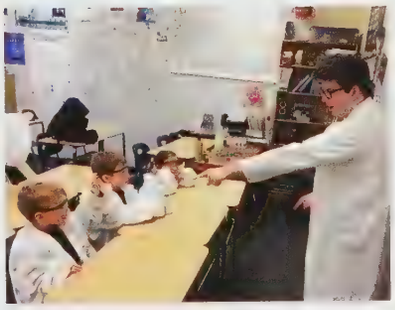
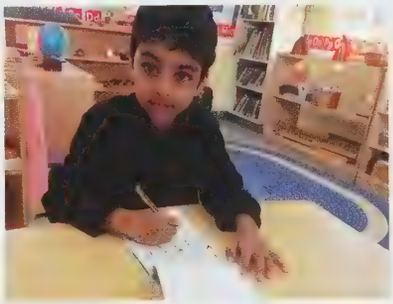

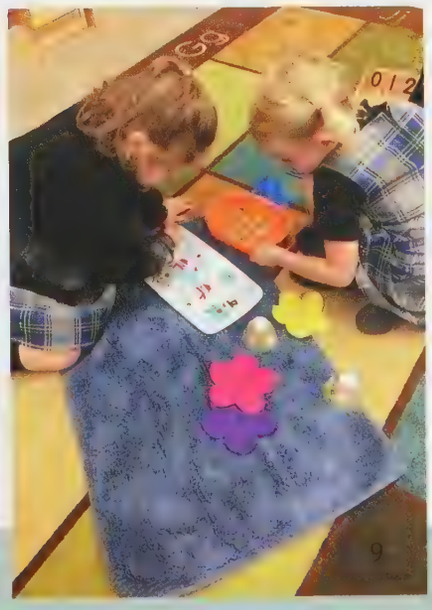

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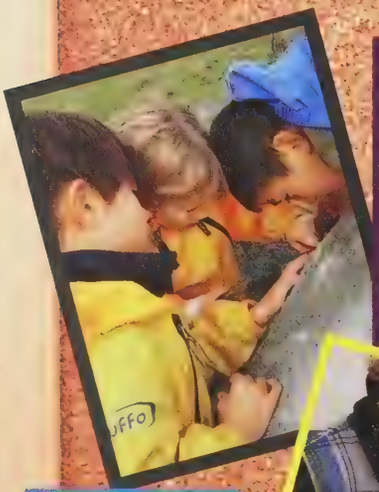

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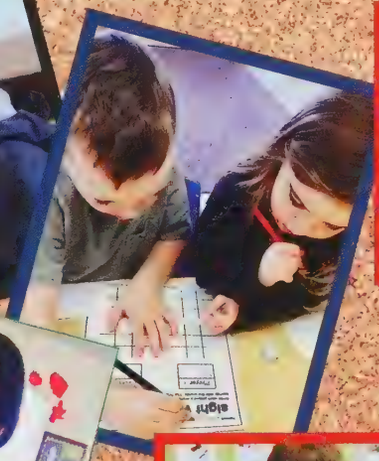

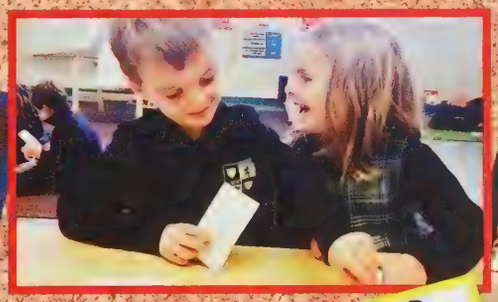

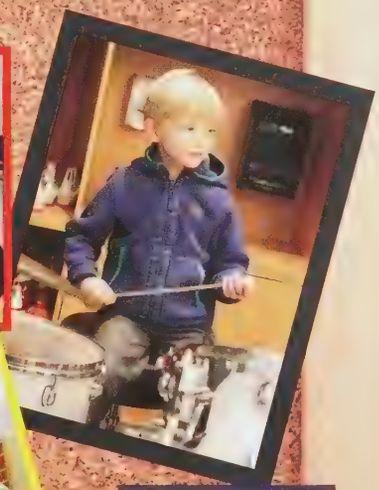

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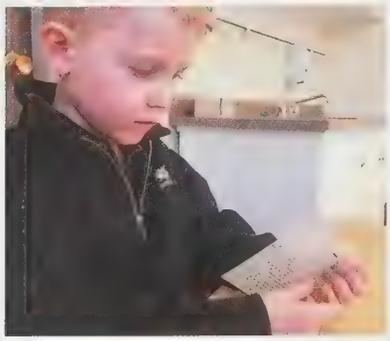

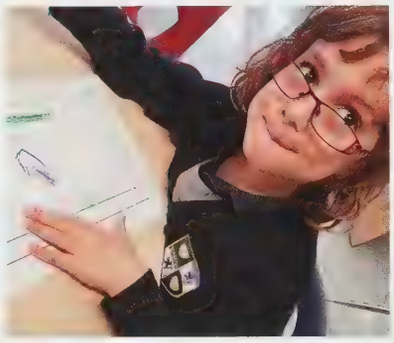

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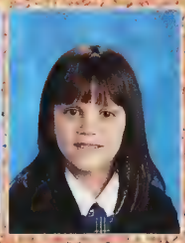

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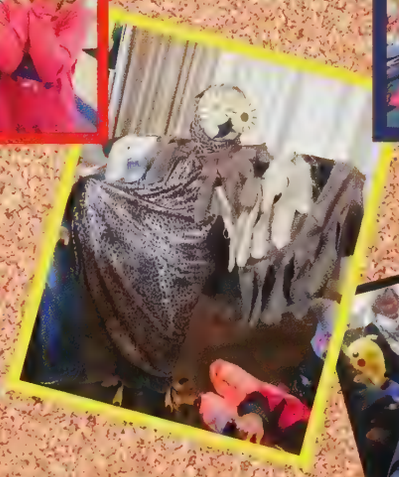

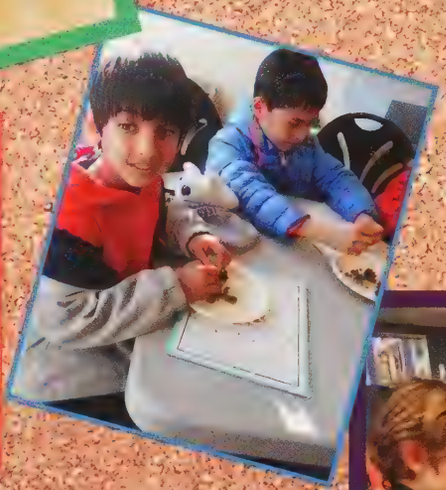

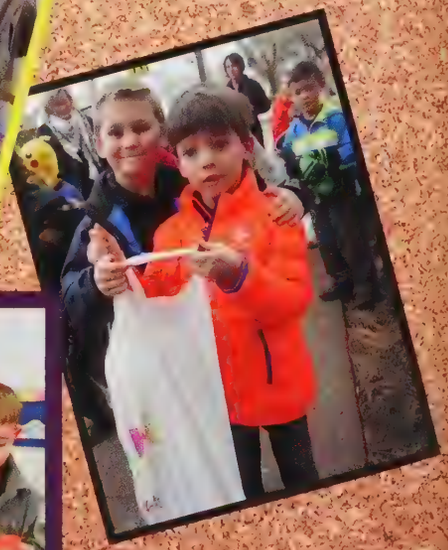

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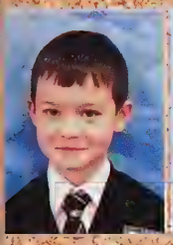
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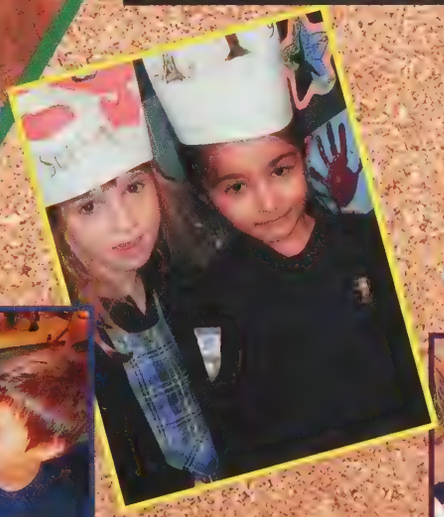

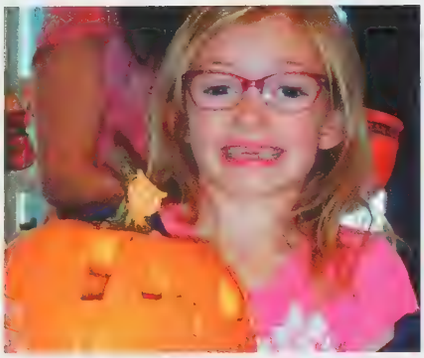
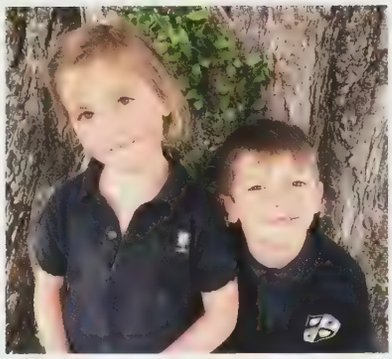

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Mrs. Mora

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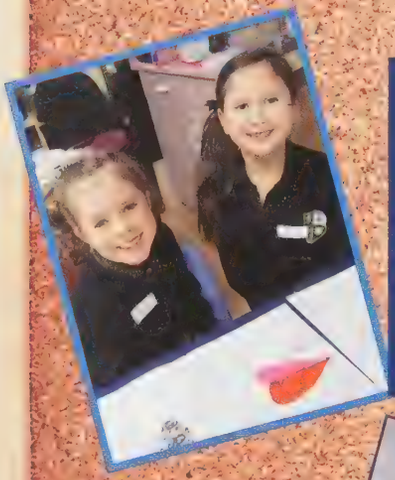

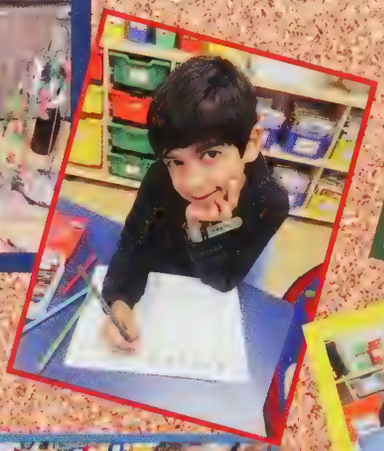

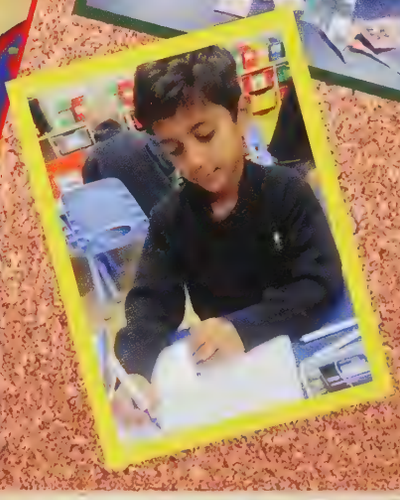

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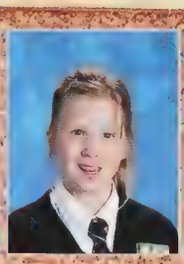
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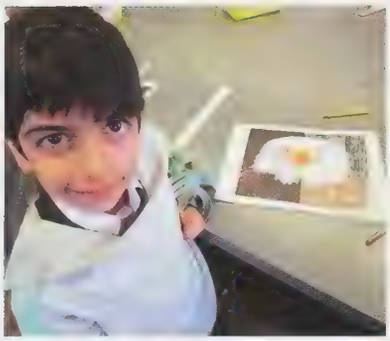

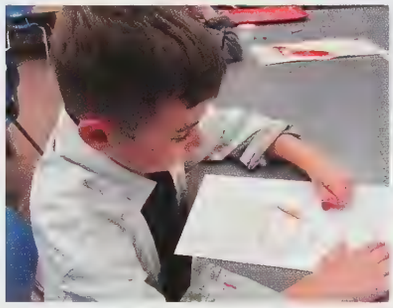

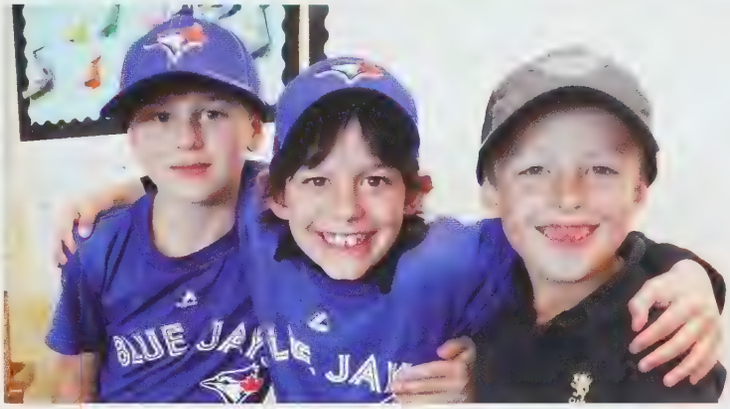
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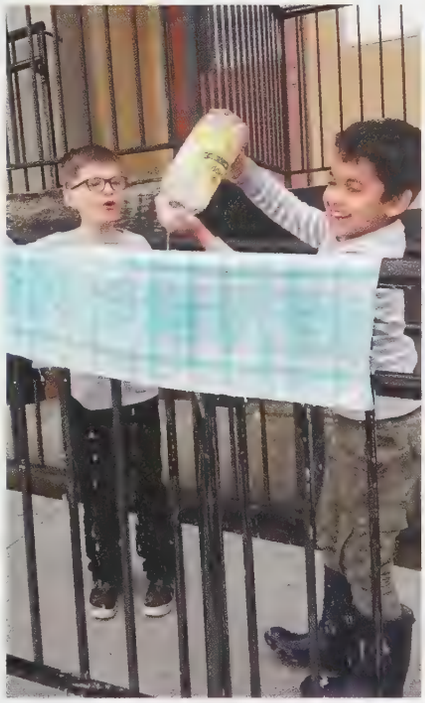

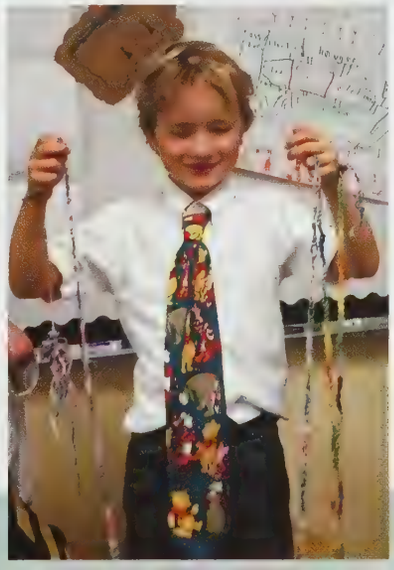

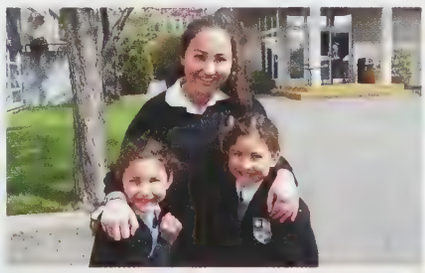

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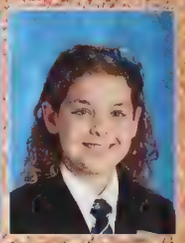

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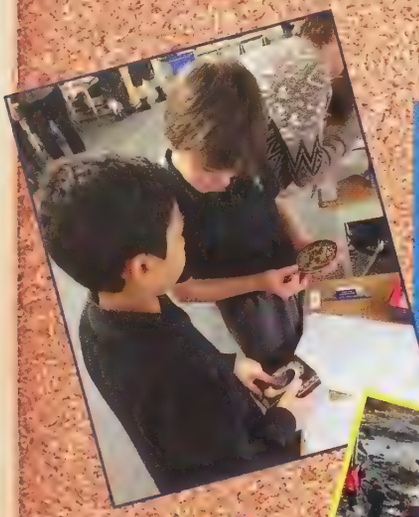

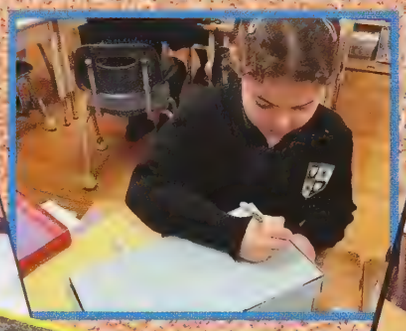

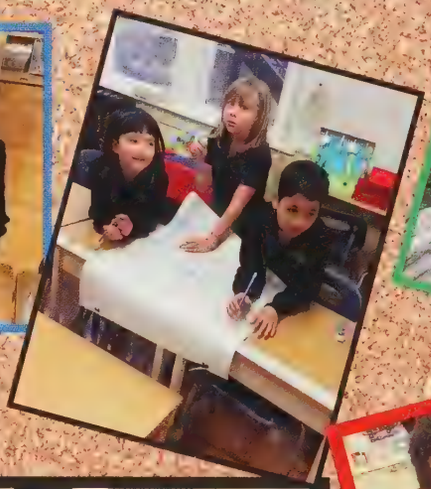

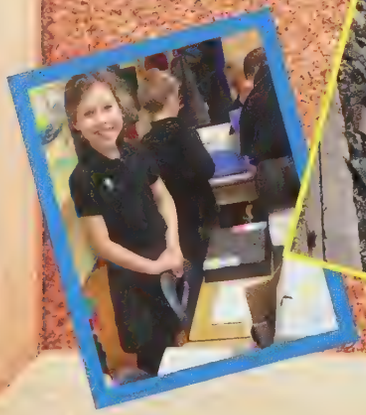

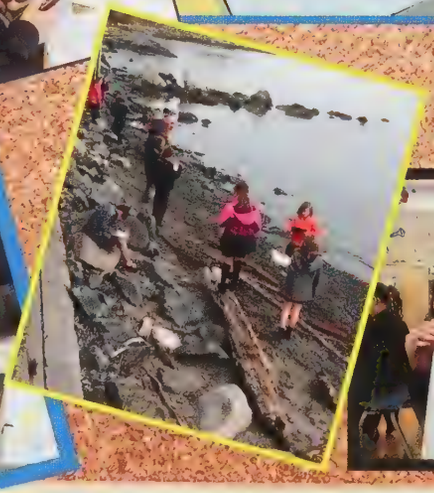

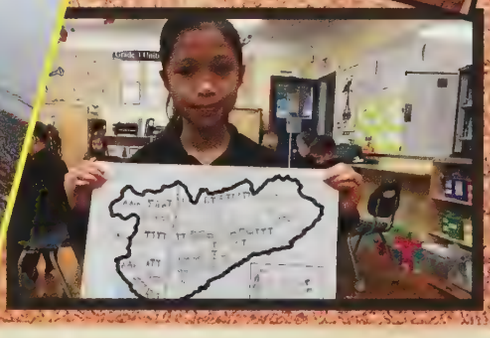

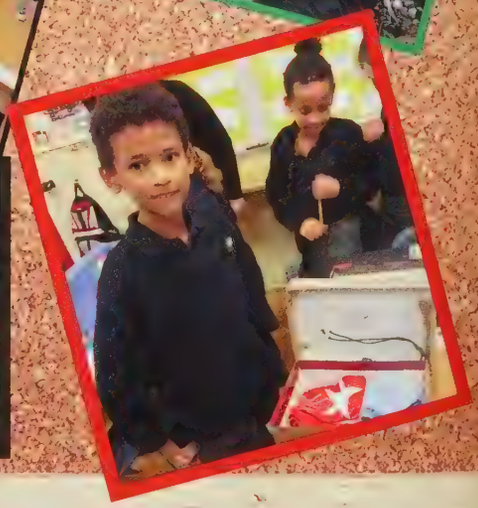

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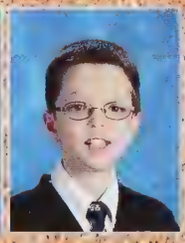
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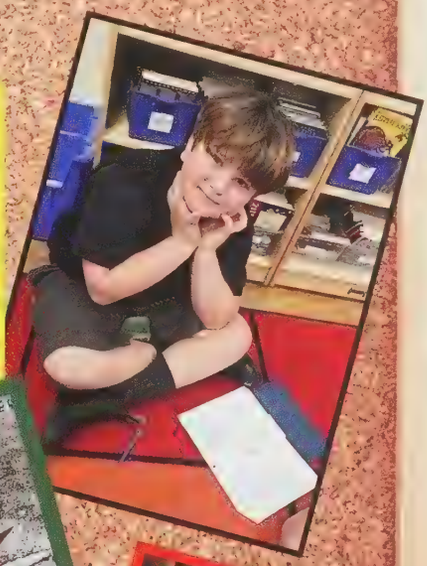

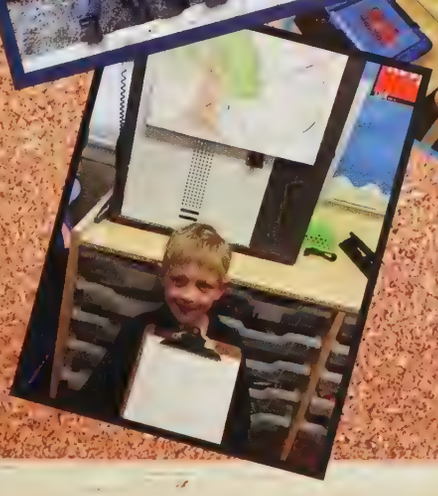

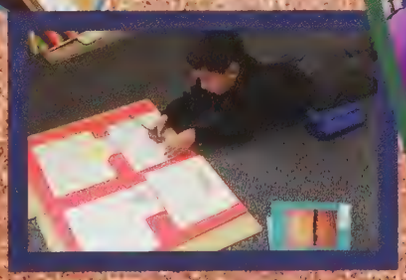

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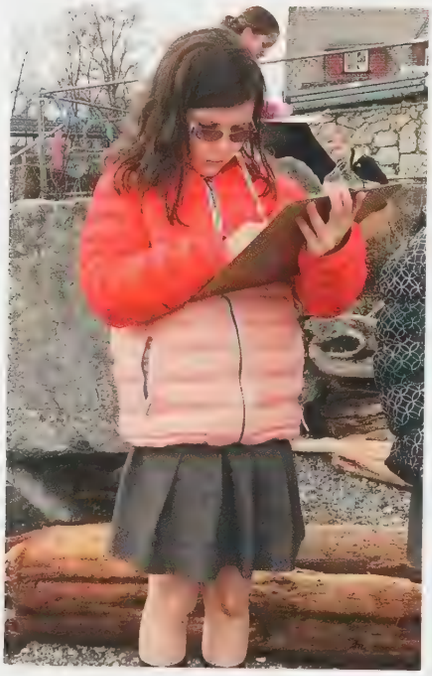

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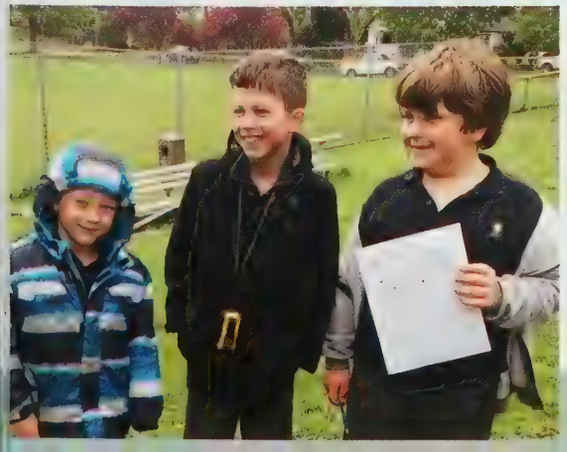

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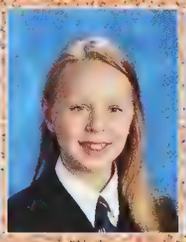

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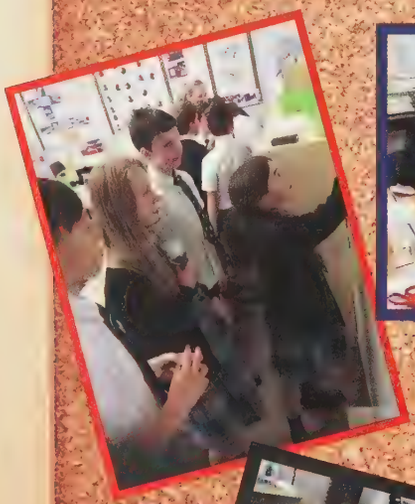

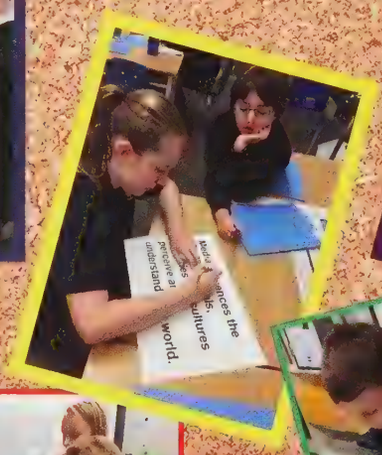

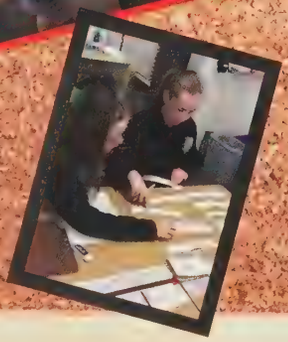

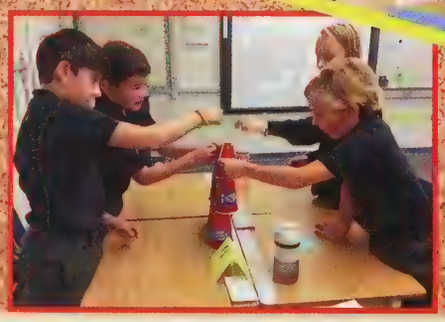

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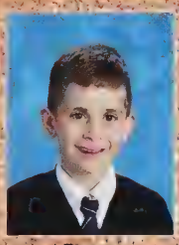
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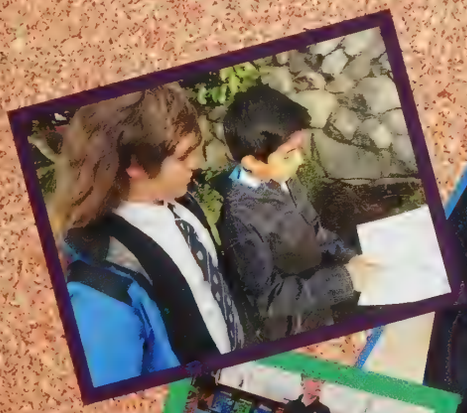

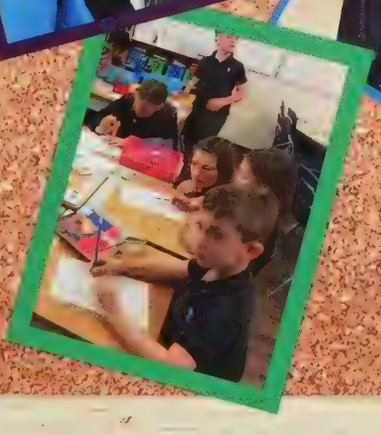

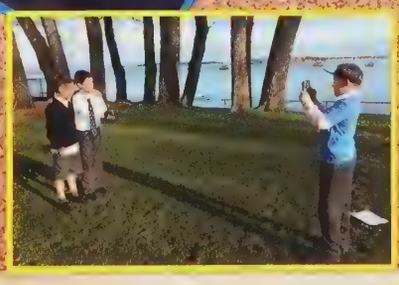

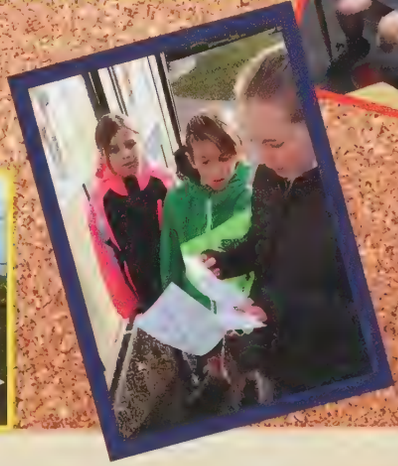

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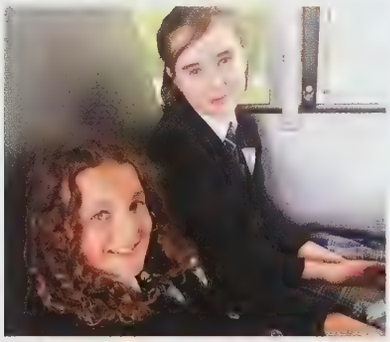

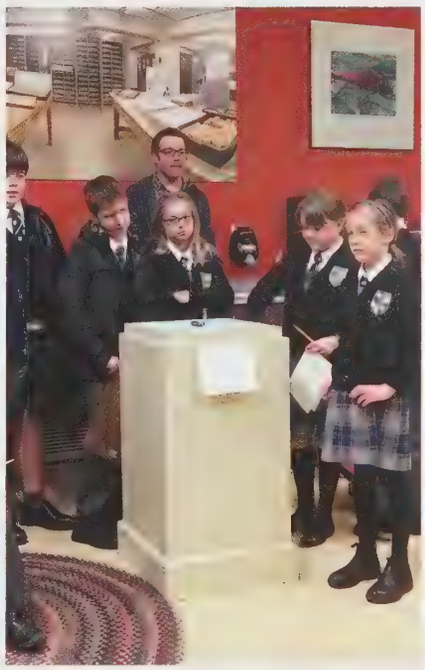

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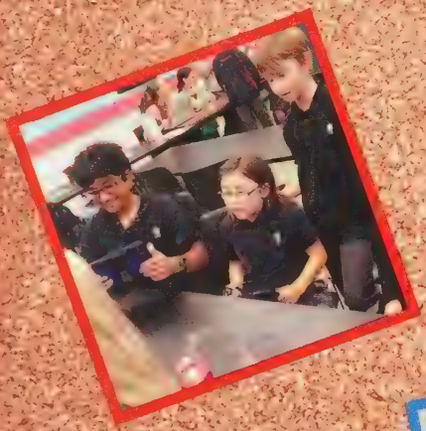

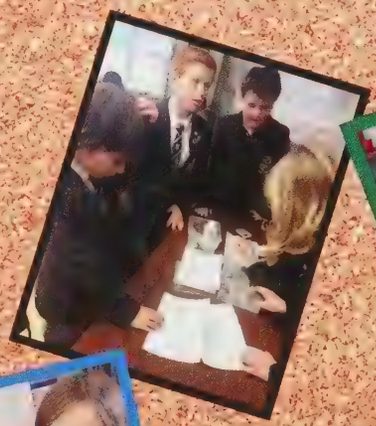

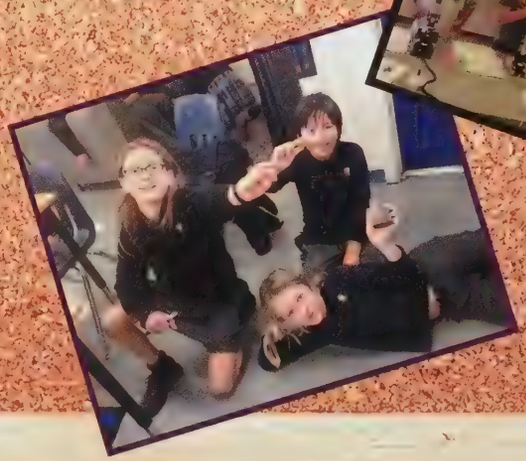

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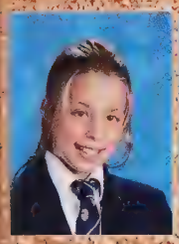
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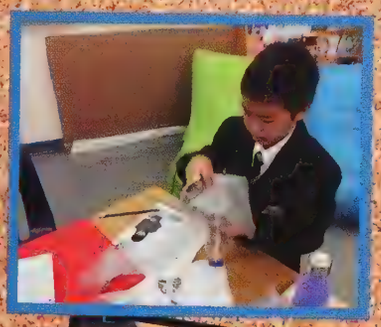

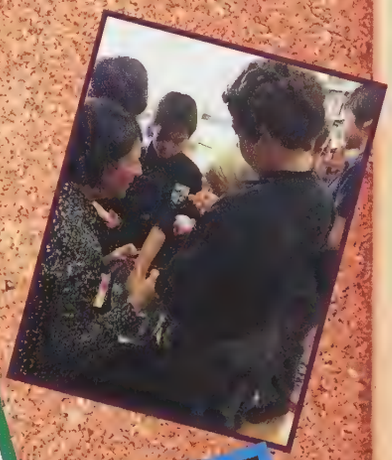

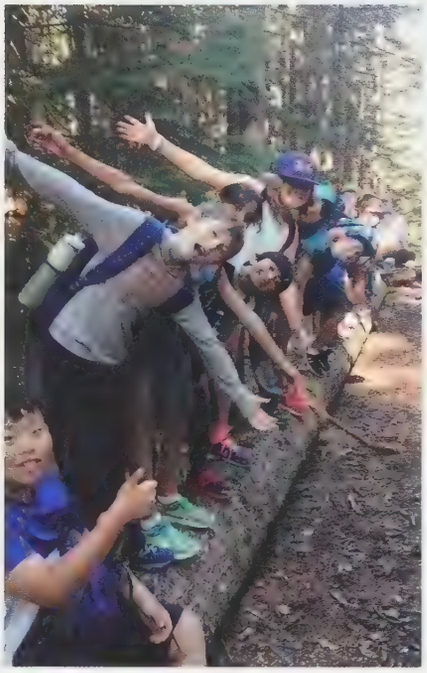

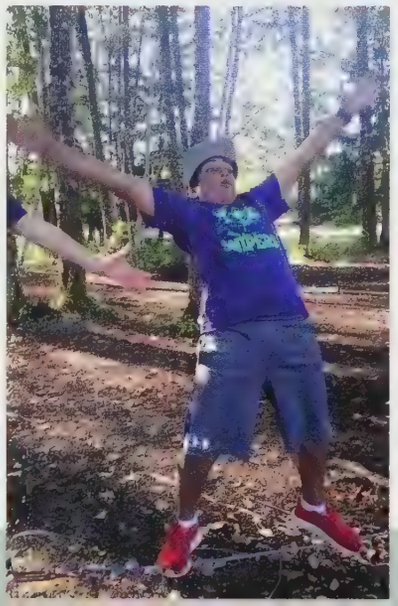

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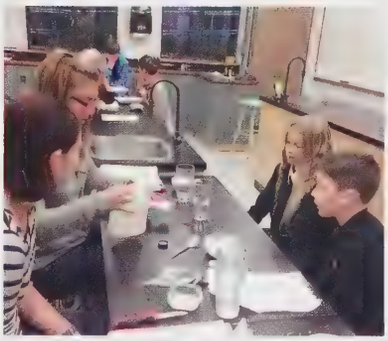

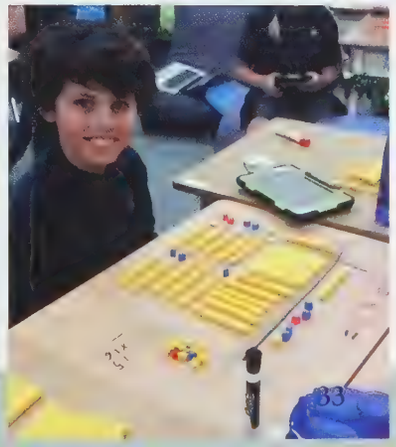

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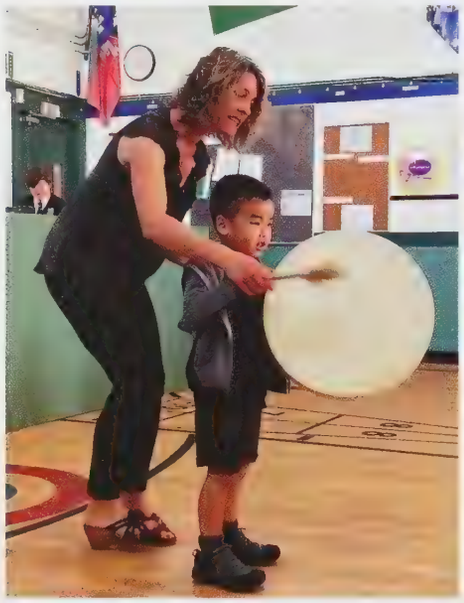

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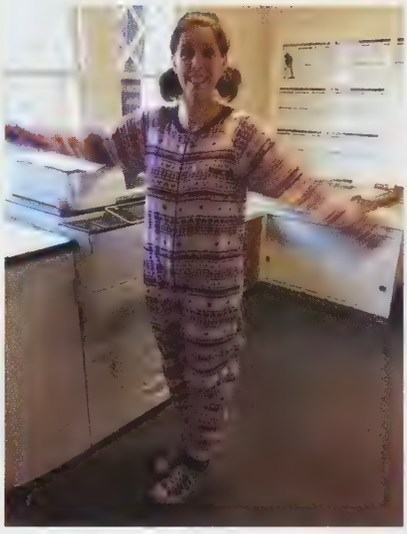

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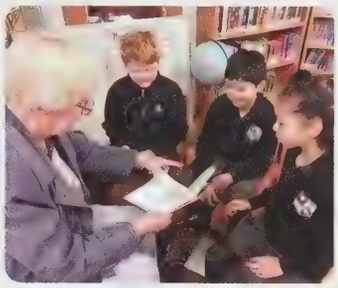
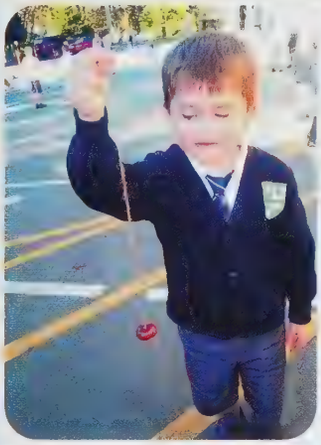
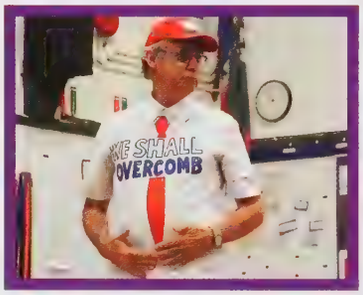




Soccer

October

Cross Country

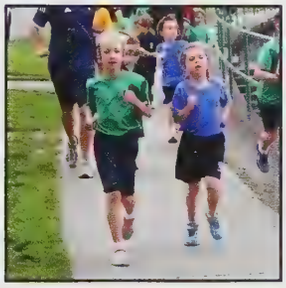


Halloween

Photo club

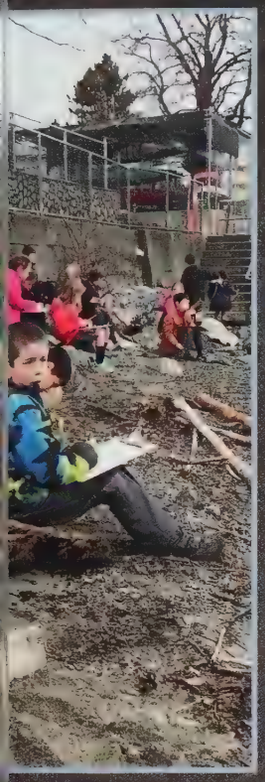
November - December

Jingle Bell Jog



Choir

January Fun



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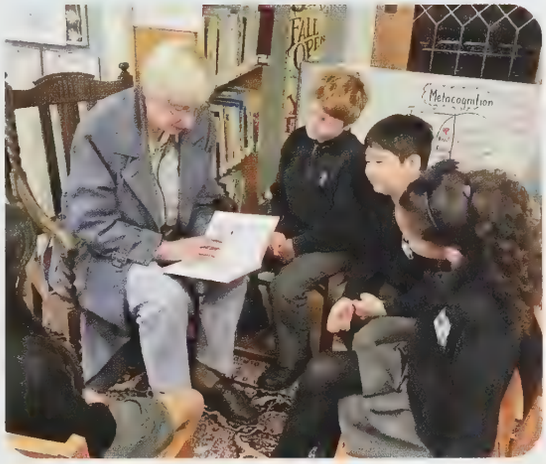

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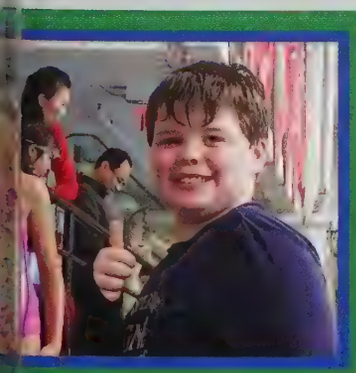
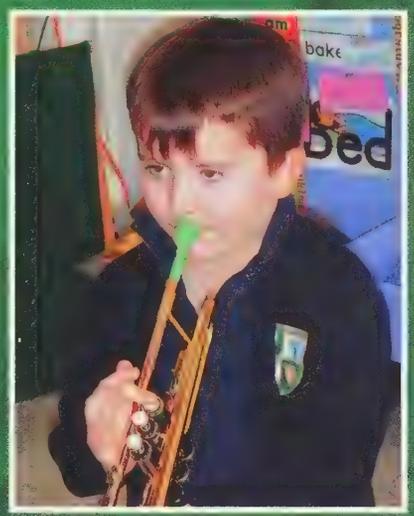
Jump Rope for Heart



Swim Team

March - April



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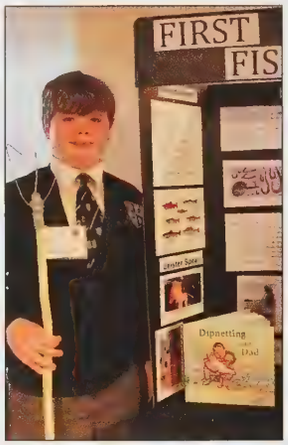

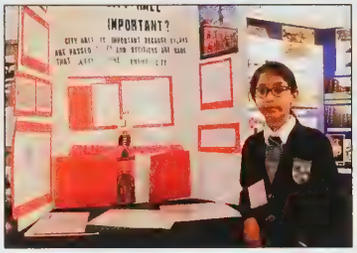

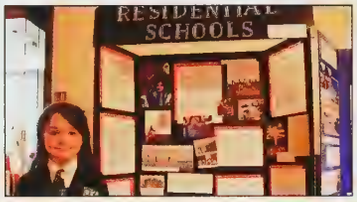

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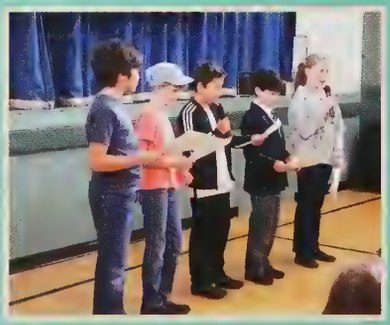

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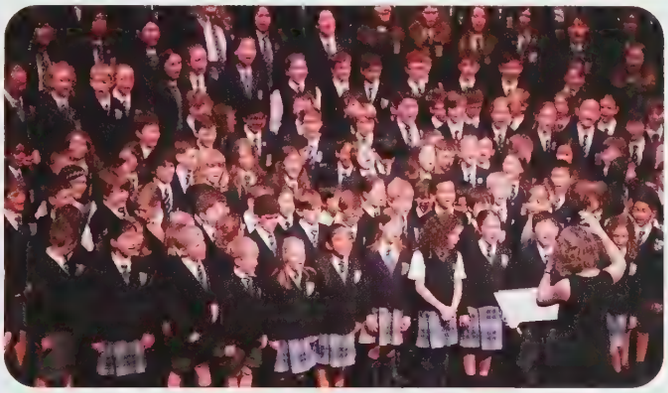
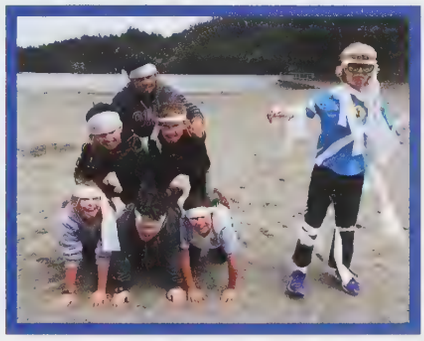


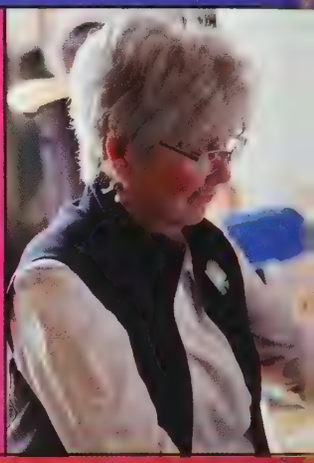
Track

June

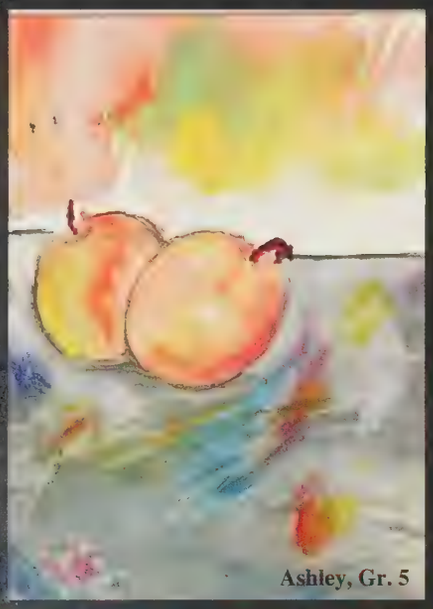
Field Trips



Musical Theatre



Get On Board!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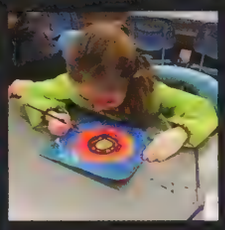

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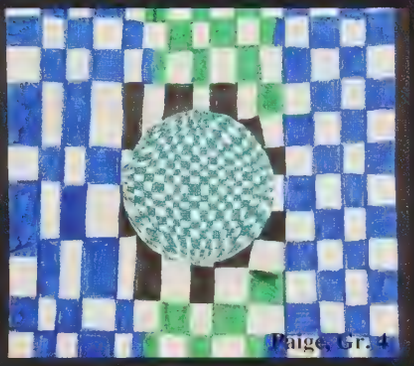
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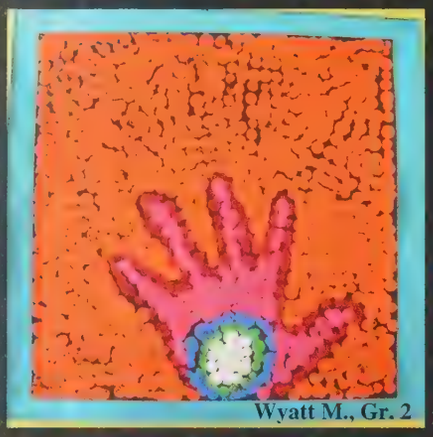
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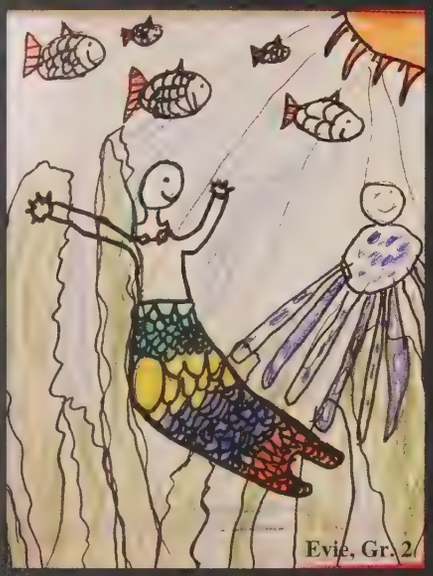

Evie, Gr. 2

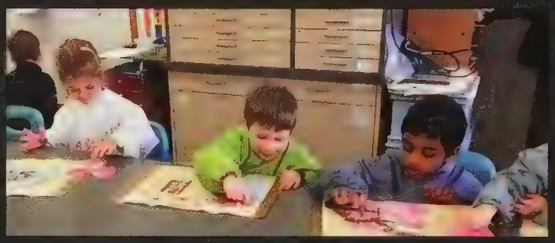
The Beach

by Lucy (Gr. K) and Olivia (Gr. 5)

What I see in a rock is it is as grey and spotty as the moon,
The sea glass is as colourful as a stained-glass window.
The beach smalls as salty as the waters in Hawaii,
but sometimes it smells as wonderful as a smelly garbage can.
I can hear the waves, clapping against the shore,
like clapping hands after a great performance.
The geese honk like a car's horn.
The sea is as salty as a salty, slimy soup,
As I lie in the sun.
I feel the bumpy, jiggaty, smooth, nice, rough rocks and sand.
The rocks are as funky, wishing and
unique as the students playing on them.

Sophie, Gr. K

Jaxon, Gr. K



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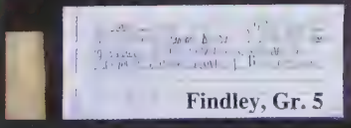
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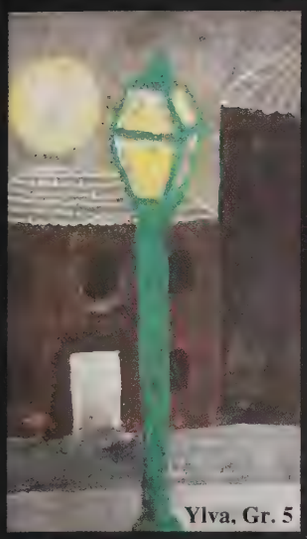
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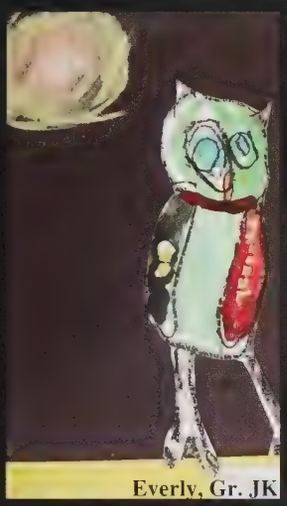
William, Gr. 1

Markus L., Gr. 5


Everly, Gr. JK

The Beach

by Makena (Gr. K) and Daniel (Gr. 5)

O the beach the beautiful beach

The blue water and the beige sand on my feet

The salty smell of water and seaweed

At the beach I see million of shells

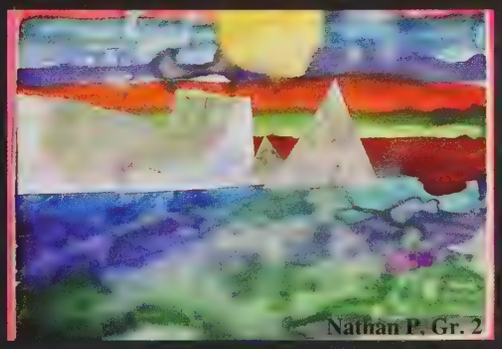
And animals swimming in the sea

That is what I see in the sea.

Clare, Gr. K

Taylor, Gr. 5

Alex P., Gr. 4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Adam I, Gr. 3

Sienna, Gr. 5

Sailys, Gr. JK

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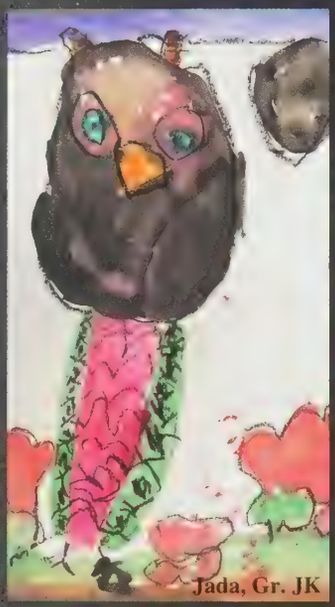
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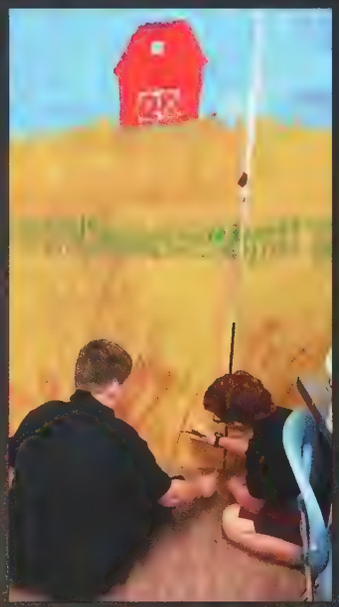


Robert, Gr. 3

Cleo, Gr. 3

Olive, Gr. K

Beach of Many Things
by Tristan (Gr. 5) and Allie (Gr. K)

The beach, the beach,
a relaxing place,

The beach, the beach,
with the feathers and
the geese,

The beach, the beach,
with its wet, squishy sand,

The beach, the beach,
where the water is warm,

The beach, the beach,
with the crows and
the splashing,

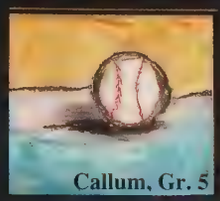
The beach, the beach,
with sunlight flashing,

The beach, the beach, the
beach, the beach,
the place where I belong.

Julia, Gr. 5

Douglas, Gr. 3

Molly, Gr. 4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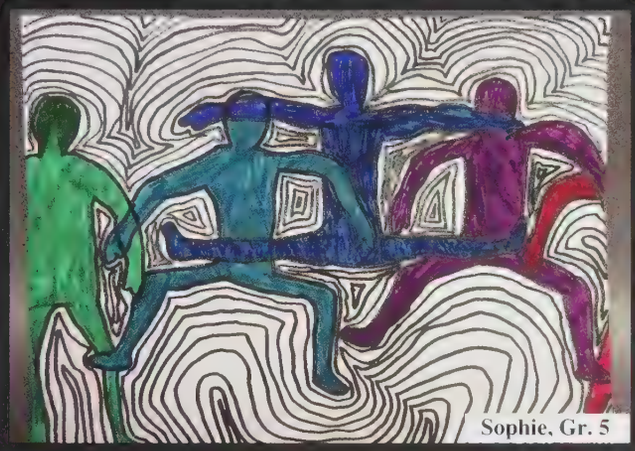
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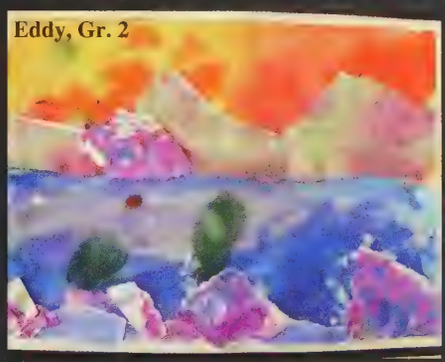
James, Gr. K

Stained Glass Collaboration, Gr. 4


Eddy, Gr. 2

Marcus D., Gr. 5

The Beach

by Ben (Gr. 5), Lauren (Gr. 5), and Jojo (Gr. K)

Tasting like
salt water
crabs and
seaweed.

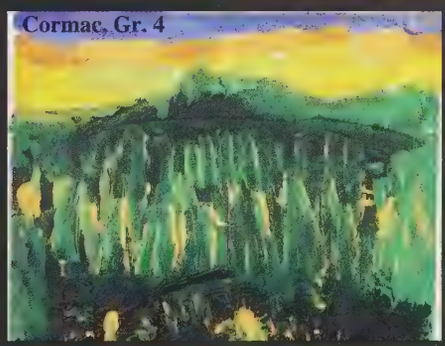
A bumpy
beach, wet
sand, logs.

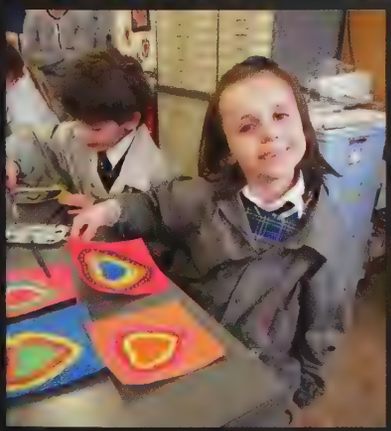
The ocean
crows and
people talking.

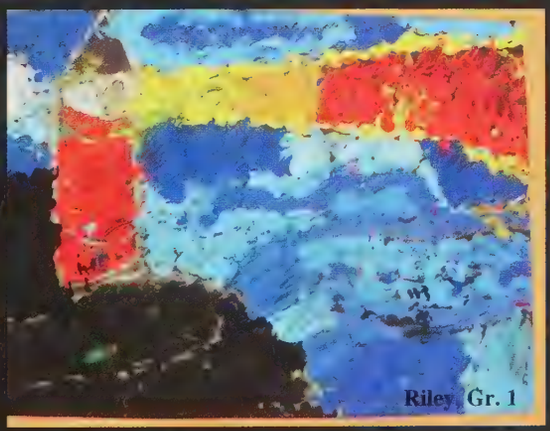
Hard surface
sticky sand
slimy seaweed.

Sand stretching
far out.
Sea salt
and goodness.

Morgan, Gr. 5


Cormac, Gr. 4

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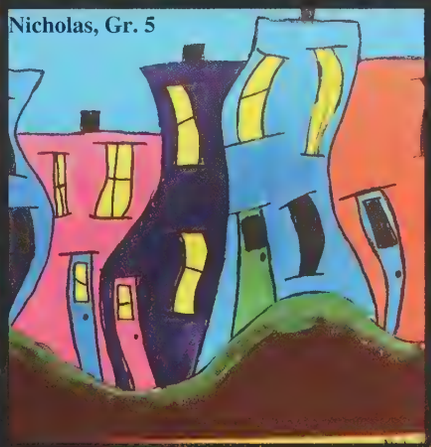
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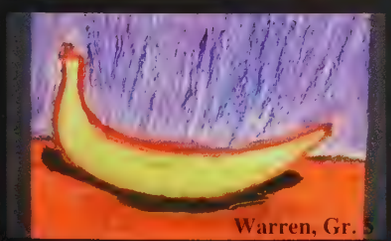
Amelie, Gr. 5


Warren, Gr. 5

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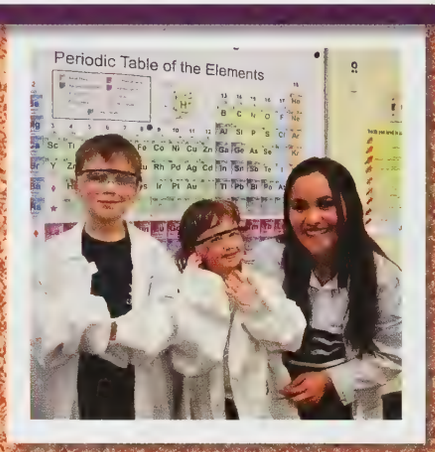
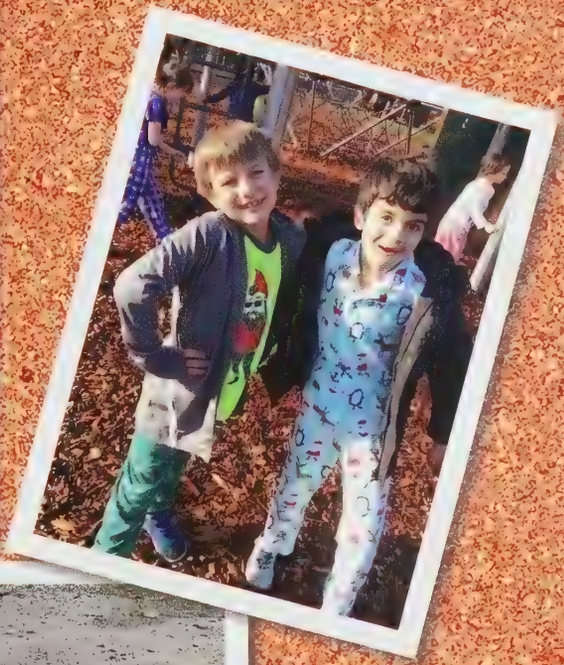
Beach Drive Family Album





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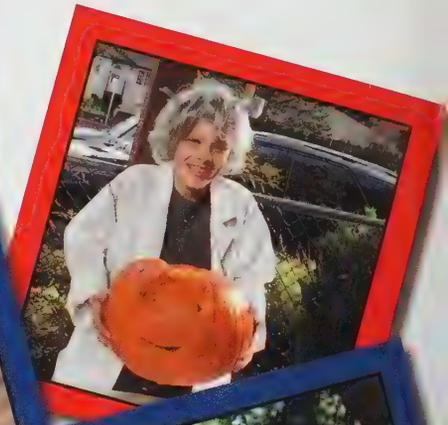

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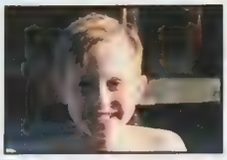
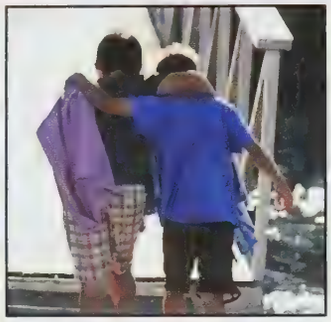

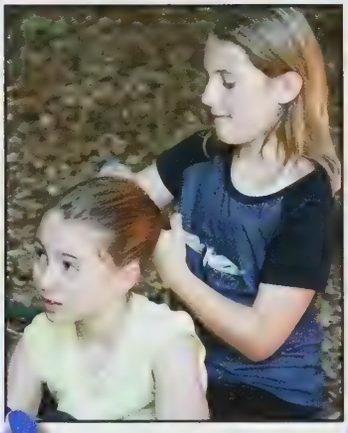

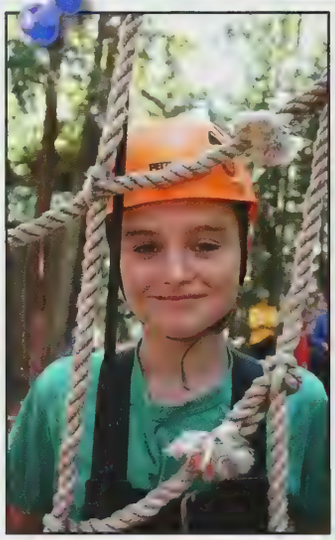
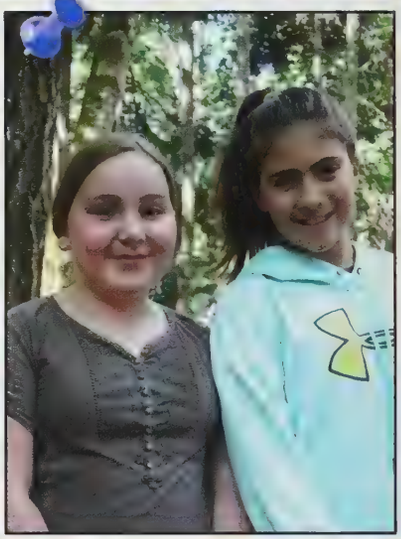

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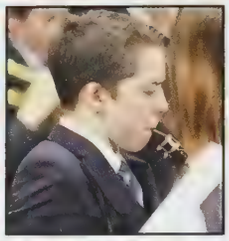

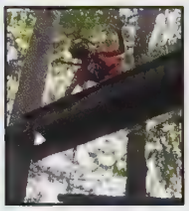
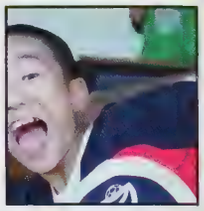

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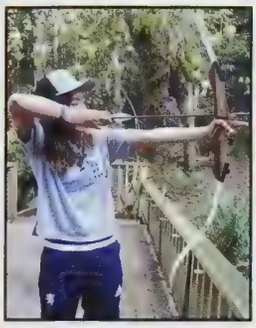

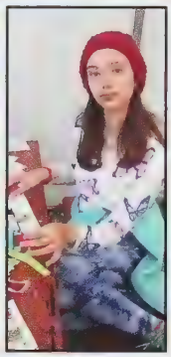

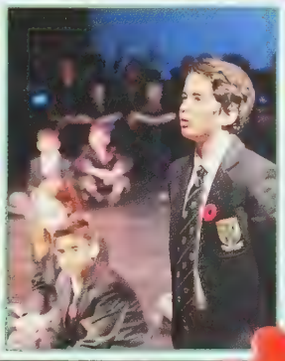

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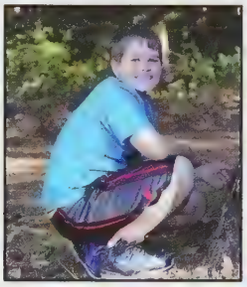

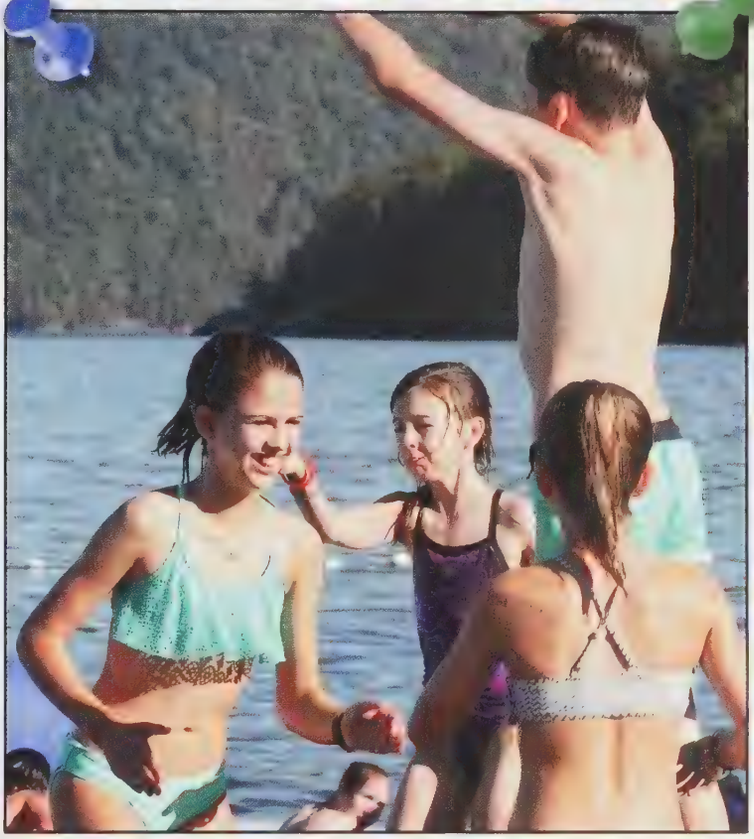

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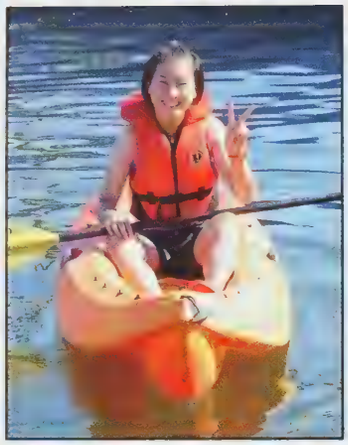

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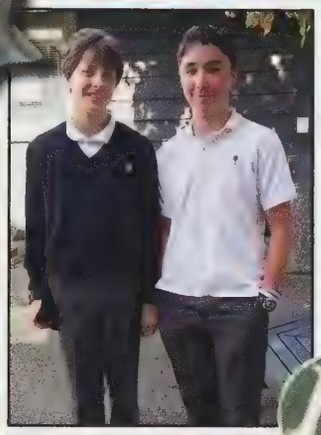

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Grade 8

Fall Term

Headgirl: Gabrielle MacPherson
Headboy: Corin Wallance
Open-Minded House Leader: Hannah White
Risk-Taker House Leader: Lily Brice
Caring House Leader: Nya Owen
Balanced House Leader: Ava Dryden
Round Square Prefect: Sophia Vasko
Arts Prefect: Alexander Muller-Clemm
Girls' Game Captain: Tara Golonka
Boys' Game Captain: Nathan Jackson.

CAIS U13 Boys Soccer

The CAIS U13 Boys came away from a strong season as the National Champions. After a fierce battle against many larger schools, the team emerged victorious!
Grade 6 and 7 students: Luke Ballinger, Kyle Degelman, Owen Degelman, Mats Dorsam, Ethan Fast Esteban Gonzalez Aguirre, Finley Hildebrand, Nikolas Krusekopf, Zachary Scott, Callum Shillington, Ian Taylor, Alexander Vroom, Ethan Wharton, Spencer Wright, and Matthew Zarzour.

Middle School Outweek

Middle School students spent three days at Camp Qwanoes for Outdoor Education at the start of the year, from Wednesday September 21 to Friday September 23. Activities were focused on team building and individual goat setting.

Grade 6

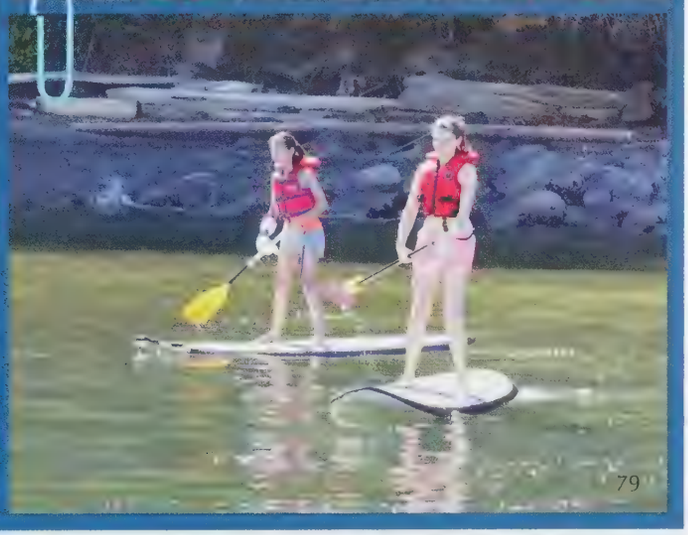
Grade 6 activities included: Arts and Crafts, Laser tag, Screamer, Sky station, Breathtaker, swimming, archery, and a polar bear swim.

Grade 7

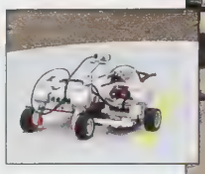
Grade 7 activities included: Sky station, Trapeze jump, Laser tag, Screamer, a polar bear swim, and water trampoline.

Grade 8

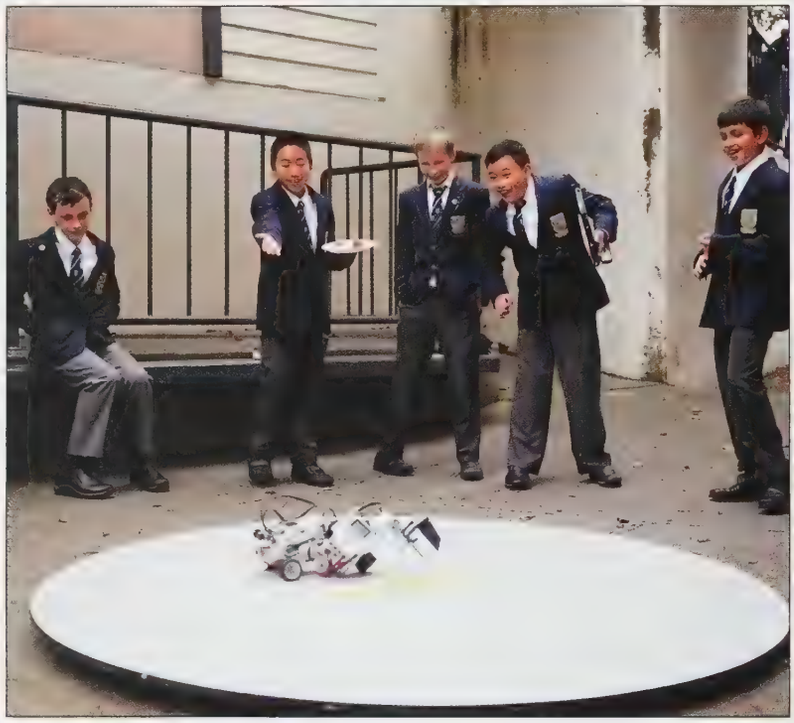
Grade 8 activities included: a day at Wildplay, Screamer, a polar bear swim, Sky station, a Leadership session, and a campfire.

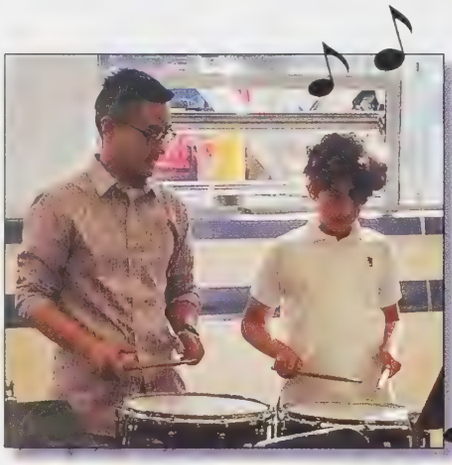


Inventors Club



Each term different students are involved in this robotics group. As part of Sciences and Design week in October, the school held a Sumo Robot competition. On Monday and Tuesday, students built their own robots, programming them to battle other bots in sumo-style matches. The "Sumobots" were placed side by side and had to fight to push each other off the mat using pre-programmed moves. After an intense two days of competition, the winner was Team Destroyer, composed of Harry Zhang (Grade 10), Henry Han (Grade 6) and Finley Walker-Cutt (Grade 6).

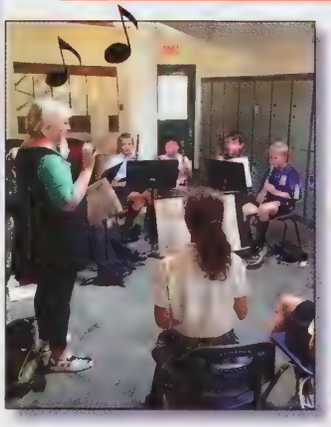


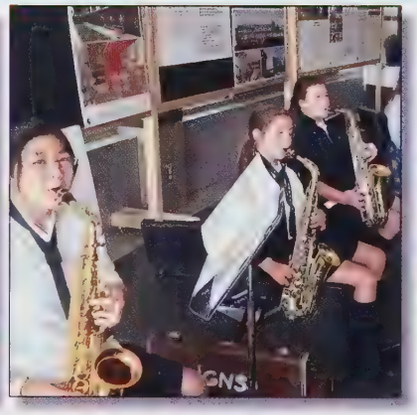


Tamagawa IB Summit

Students from Grade 8 participated in an IB Summit with visiting Japanese students from Tamagawa Academy and students from Stratford Hall, Mulgrave and Aspengrove in Nanaimo on October 19.

Gr 6 Band Workshops





Terry Fox Run

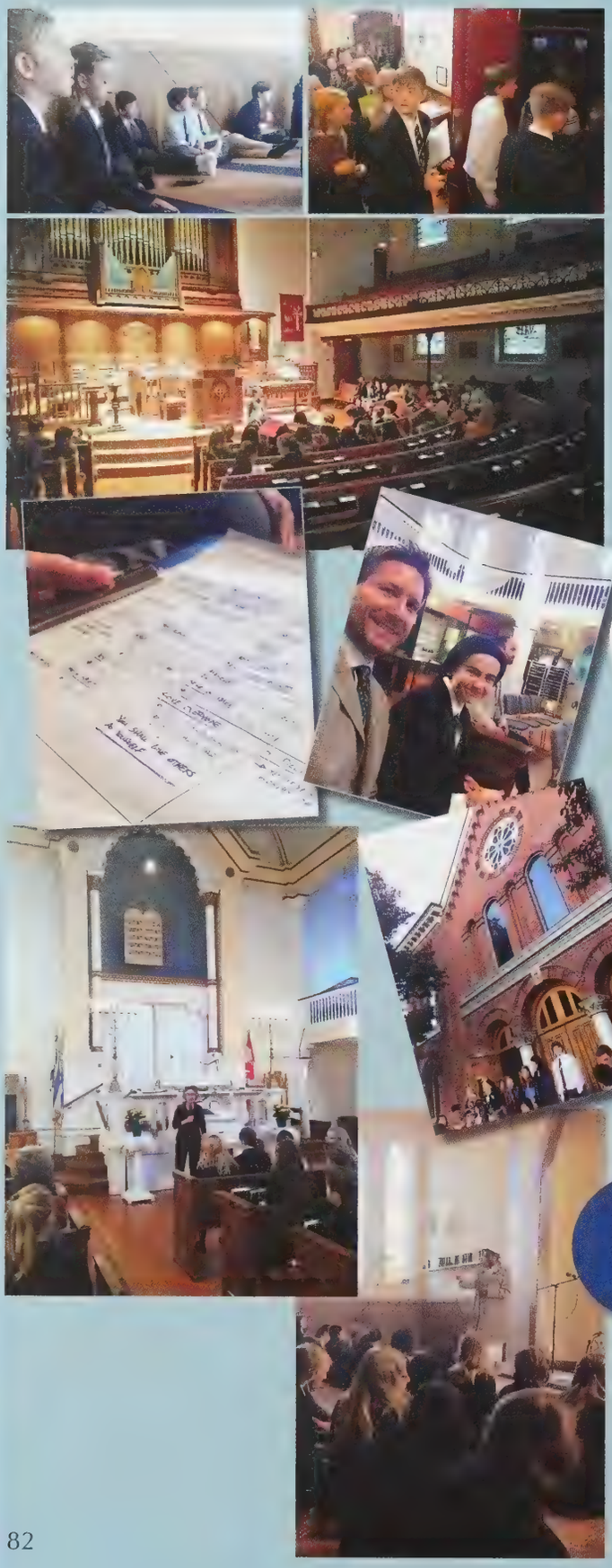
Students took part in the Terry Fox Run at Clover Point against a brilliant backdrop of kite-fliers and paragliders. This year, the Run raised over $800 for Cancer Research as donations kept coming in during the run from passersby. After the 20 minute run, students made their way to the monument at Mile 0, where they listened to a short presentation about Terry Fox's remarkable journey.

Grade Six Superheroes

Religion Tour

Middle School Grade 8s

The Grade 8 Individuals and Societies class visited three different places of worship to learn about the similarities between Christianity, Judaism, and Islam. They visited St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, the Congregation Emanu-El, and Masjid Al-Iman mosque.



Debate Club

A number of debaters attended the Debate Retreat on September 27th as well as participating in the Fall Chatterton Cup. Grace Serfas and Rishi Kapil took part in the Annual Golden Gnome Debate Tournament at Oak Bay High School on Saturday, December 3rd. Debaters include: Cashel Denford, Bryan Muller-Clemm, Christopher Pollard, Satchel Ramraj, Finlay Walker-Cutt, Miia Bekker, Ethan Chan, Drew Ericsson, Rishi Kapil, Sophie Li, Jaiden Lo, Patrick Michalak, Anya Nadra, Grace Serfas, Gabrielle MacPherson, Alexander Muller-Clemm, Nya Owen, Marisa Smith, Andrew Wale, Annalise Wall, Corin Wallace and Anders Woodruff. At UVic's Annual Fall Open Debate Tournament in the Novice category, Alexander Muller-Clemm came 1st, Andrew Wale was 2nd and Marisa Smith was 3rd. In the team scores, Alexander & Andrew came 1st, Marisa & Annalise Wall came 2nd and Patrick Michalak & Anders Woodruff came 5th. The only Senior School member of the team, Sofie Finn Storan, participated in a swing team.

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IDEALS

Round Square

This term, Young Round Square members decorated a Christmas tree at the annual Victoria Festival of Trees, collected 1619 lbs of food for the Mustard Seed Street Church during the Round Square Hallowe'en for Hunger campaign, took over the Street Cafe at the Mustard Seed on November 25th, and attended We Day. Special thanks to chaperones for the various activities: Kim Waugh, Sonya Chwyl, Cheryl Alexander, Kate Dziwenka and Rhona Crossley.

MUN Is Fun

A mixed group of Middle and Senior School students participated in the two day Shawnigan Model United Nations. Representing the Middle School were: Benjamin Dand, Aiofe Golonka, Tara Golonka, Henry Han, Rishi Kapil, Chanel Lafrance, Wesley Lloyd, Gabrielle MacPherson, Morgan McDonald, Patrick Michalak, Rowan Morahan, Alex Muller-Clemm, Bryan Muller-Clemm, Deaton Pollock, Satchel Ramraj, Connor Roberts, Marisa Smith, Andrew Wale, Annalise Wall, Anders Woodruff, and Brayden Young.

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Hallowe'en!

We Day - Vancouver, November 2nd to 3rd

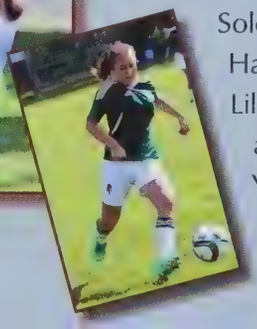
We Day participants included: Paola Bahena, Miia Bekker, Isabelle Berry, Jillian Betts, Londyn Denford, Faye Dryden, Federica Di Frassineto, Lizzie Emslie, Emilia Giommi, Dylan Hemphill, Nikolas Krusekopf, Taya Lee, Morgan Macdonald, Anya Nadra, Alison Roberts, Calla Roberts, Hannah Sawchuk, Anna Sun, Flora Sweeney, Sophia Vasko, Alexander Vroom, Shunkichi Yamamoto, Savanna Yaremchuk, and Sarah Zarzour. Special thanks to Ms Waugh for organizing the trip.

ROUND SQUARE

CAIS U15 Girls

The CAIS U15 Girls soccer team had an amazing season. They had a hard fought 1-0 loss to SMUS in the semi-finals.

The team consisted of: Eliza Baines, Paola Bahena, Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Nicole Burnett, Londyn Denford, Camille Germain, Tara Golonka, Luciana Gonzales, Katherine Hofer, Nya Owen, Elliott Smith, Sophia Vasko, Megan Vroom, Soleil Watterson, Hannah White, Lily Wieczorek and Sienna Yaremchuk



SS Junior Boys

The Junior Boys Soccer team had a great season of wins and losses from start to finish. The team consisted of Grade 8, 9, and 10's: Matthew Alexander, Noah Ballinger, Iian Betts, Alec Boegman, Kevin Dang, Parker Dix, Noah Fekete, Ian Ferguson, Chris Graham, Alex Guildford, Thomas Healey, Dylan Hemphill, Nathan Jackson, Alex Kong, Jacob McIntyre, Alex Muller-Clemm, Luke Rodrigues, Dexter Stoiber, Finnbar Sweeney, Reid Thompson, Andres Venegas Bujaidar, and Mauricio Villaneuva.

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Grade 6 Op Art

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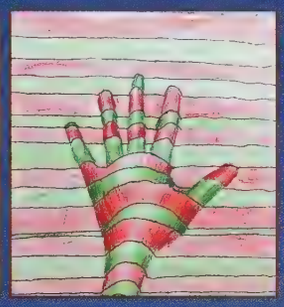
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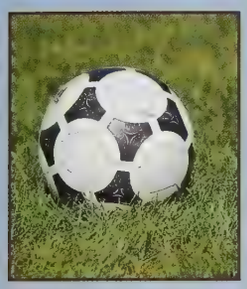


Grade 6-8 Boys

The Grade 6 to 8 Recreational Boys Soccer teams practiced at Pemberton Park on Mondays and Tuesdays after school. The teams were divided into Grade 6/7, coached by Jake Burnett and Grade 7/8 coached by Lance Pimlott. Games for the 7/8 team were on Mondays and games for the 6/7 team were on Thursdays.

C E R

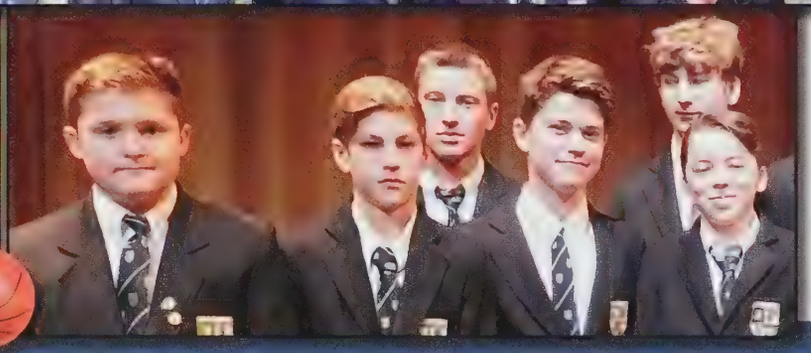
Team members included: Rohan Bandechha, Jack Barry, Parker Dix, Nathan Fount, Henry Han, Nathan Jackson, Kieran Laurie-Winston, Quinn Levinson, Christopher Pollard, Harrison Starke, Finnbar Sweeney, Alex Vroom, and Robin Xu.

Grade 6-8 Girls

The teams practiced with Coach Tassy Davidson on Tuesdays and Wednesdays after school. Grade 6/7 games were on Tuesdays and Grade 7/8 games were on Wednesdays. Team members included Paola Bahena, Isabelle Berry, Sophia DeMeo, Londyn Denford, Faye Dryden, Louisa Eder, Aoife Golonka, Tara Golonka, Eva Grand, Chanel Lafrance, Sophie Li, Tessa Lovett, Helena Mundstock, Elliott Smith, Marisa Smith, Ellie Steele, Flora Sweeney, Regan Turner, Pillar Villaneuva Torres, Eryn Wale, Beatrix White, Hannah White, and Savanna Yaremchuk.

MS BASKETBALL

7 & 8 BOYS



These teams practised every Tuesday and Friday at lunch with Randy Ollech and Robert Marthaller.
Team members: Harrison Starke, Sahil Baidwan, Ian Ferguson, Dexter Stoiber, Finnbar Sweeney, Rowan Morahan, Rishi Kapil, Raine Orser, Emilio Agostinelli, Finley Hildebrand, Raine Orser, Alex Gonin, Gabriel Zack, Patrick Michalak, Hunter Williams, Moe Steves, Robin Xu, Corin Wallace, Daimeohn Chapman, Parker Dix, Michael Pasek.

6 & 7 BOYS

The team practised every Thursday at lunch in the Gudewill Gym with Jake Burnett.
Team members: Cashel Denford, Esteban Gonzalez Aguirre, Kieran Laurie-Winston, Quinn Levinson, Jaiden Lo, Cole Marriette, Matthew McCoey, Christopher Pollard, Callum Shillington, Ian Taylor, Alexander Vroom, Spencer Wright

6 & 7 GIRLS

The team practised Mondays at lunch with Tassy Davidson.
Team members: Flora Sweeney, Valentina Villanueva, Mahreya Green, Sophia Vitrouk, Abby Watterson, Faye Dryden, Julia Phillips, Eryn Wale, Eva Grand, Chanel Lafrance, Riya Kang, Sophia Demeo, Louisa Eder, Savanna Yaremchuk, Aoife Golonka, Dawn Beck, Lizzie Emslie.

7 & 8 GIRLS

The team practised every Friday with Duncan Brice.
Team members: Isabelle Berry, Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Francesca Cumberbirch, Madison Davits, Londyn Denford, Devan Duquette, Tara Golonka, Jolina Ko, Makena Lee, Taylor Leong, Alice Li, Tessa Lovett, Yuka Lu, Morgan Macdonald, Gabrielle MacPherson, Helena Mundstock, Nya Owen, Ella Stanger, Brooke Taylor, Sophia Van Cuylenborg, Hannah White, Lily Wieczorek, Savanna Yaremchuk, Sarah Zarzour.

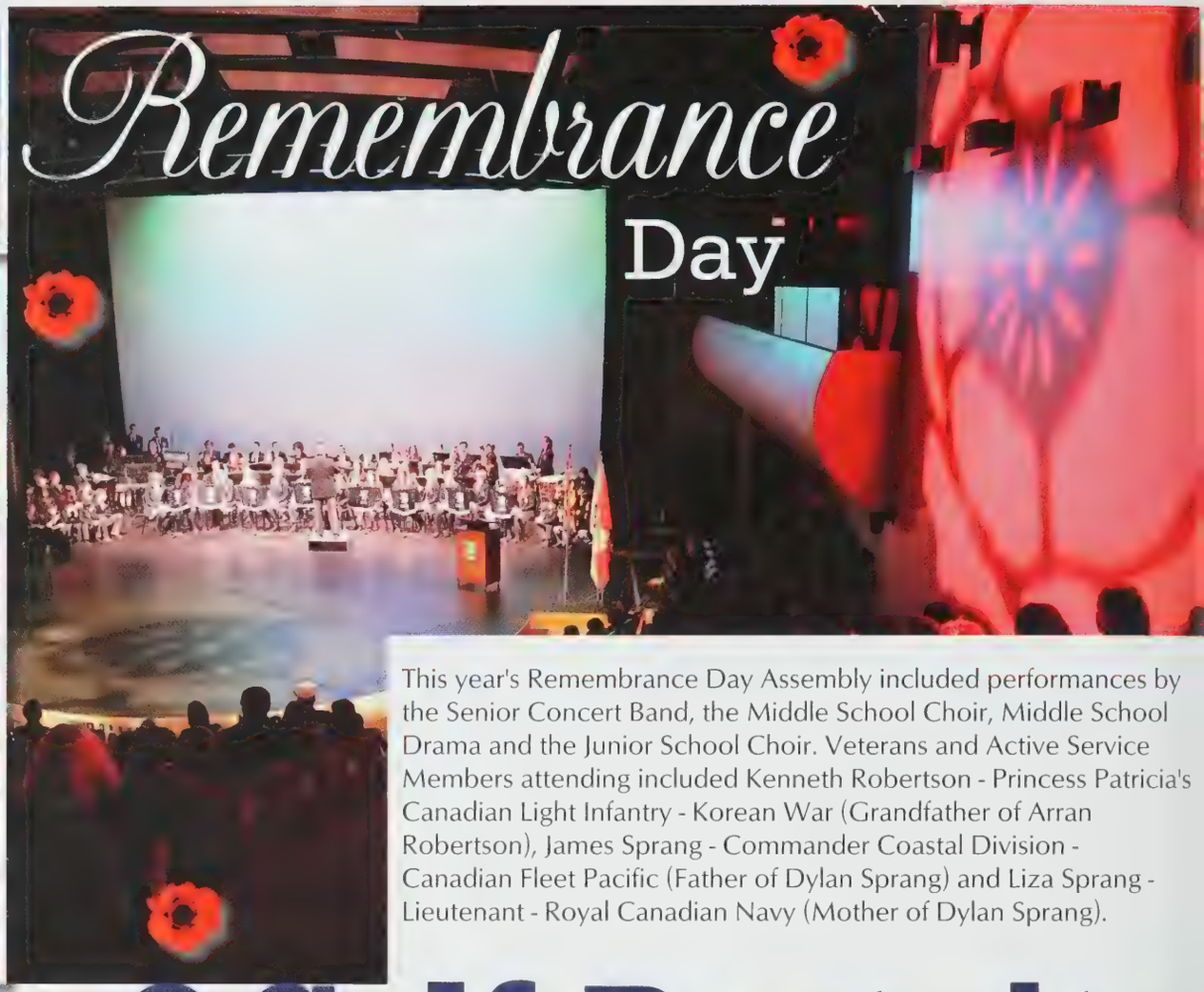
Senior School Junior Boys

The team was a mix of SS and MS students.
Team members: Conor Barclay, Josh Bowder, Hunter Williams, Cedric Jegede, Sam Zhao, Alex Gonin, Jackson Miller, Ian Prescott, Noah Fekete, Dex Owen, Thomas Healey, Kevin Dang, and Ethan Stanger.

Cross Country Grade 6, 7 & 8

The team trained at Pemberton Park every Tuesday with Leah Hall. Team members:
Grade 6: Rohan Bandechha, Dawn Beck, Owen Degelman, Sophia Demeo, Mats Dorsam, Faye Dryden, Louisa Eder, Eva Grand, Nikolas Krusekopf, Zach Scott, Callum Shillington, Ian Taylor, Alex Vroom, Abby Watterson, Spencer Wright.
Grade 7: Emilio Agostinelli, Miia Bekker, Kyle Degelman, Finley Hildebrand, Lainey Hunt, Quinn Levinson, Vanessa Liebel, Matthew McCoey, Ethan Wharton, Savannah Yaremchuk.
Grade 8: Lily Brice, Grace Poole, Brooke Taylor, Sophie Van Cuylenborg, Sara Zarzour.

Remembrance Day



This year's Remembrance Day Assembly included performances by the Senior Concert Band, the Middle School Choir, Middle School Drama and the Junior School Choir. Veterans and Active Service Members attending included Kenneth Robertson - Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry - Korean War (Grandfather of Arran Robertson), James Sprang - Commander Coastal Division - Canadian Fleet Pacific (Father of Dylan Sprang) and Liza Sprang - Lieutenant - Royal Canadian Navy (Mother of Dylan Sprang).

Grade 8 Self Portaits

MIDDLE SCHOOL TIMES

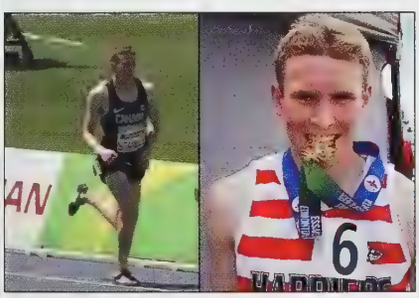
GNS GRYPHONS

Fall Term 2017

Academics

Activities

Liam Stanley '16 spoke to the Grade 6s about his experience at the 2016 Paralympics in Rio de Janeiro and what it takes to beccome an Olympic medalist. Liam won silver in the men's T37 1500m in September after making the Canadian men's Para Soccer team in Grade 8.



November 30th, Grade 7s went to the Royal BC Museum to explore the First Peoples exhibit as part of the unit on Ancient Cultures.

Sciences and Design Week included cake served in the library!

Individuals

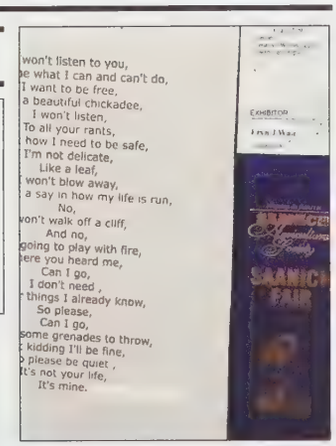
Sports

In late July, more than 3200 athletes, coaches and officials attended the 2016 BC Summer Games in Abbotsford. GNS students involved included Hunter Williams (Basketball, 7th place), Grace Poole (Sailing, Gold Medal in Boys/Girls Optimist Red Fleet) and Kelley Poole (Sailing, Silver Medal in Boys/Girls Optimist Red Fleet).

In mid-November, Grade 7 student Kyle Degelman was named as the male Whitecaps FC Academy Centre Player of the Year for the Lower Island Academy Centre.

Writing

Grade 6 student Eryn Wale entered a poem in the Saanich Fair and won first in her age group and second overall!



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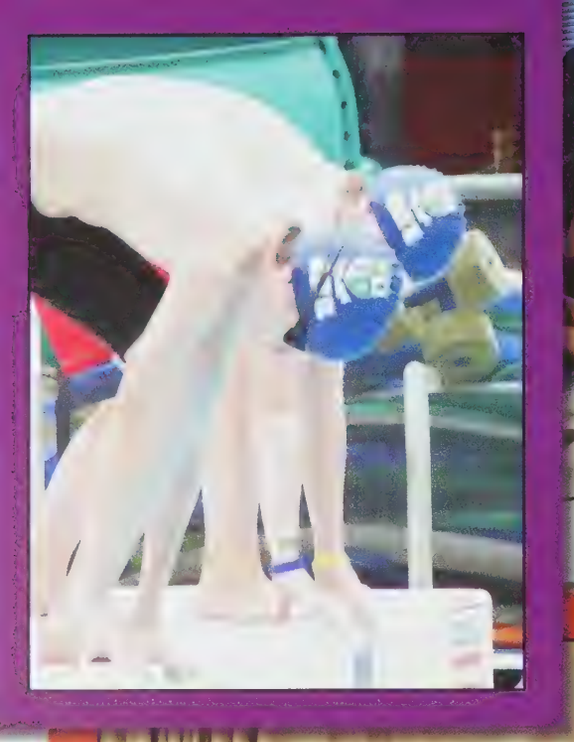

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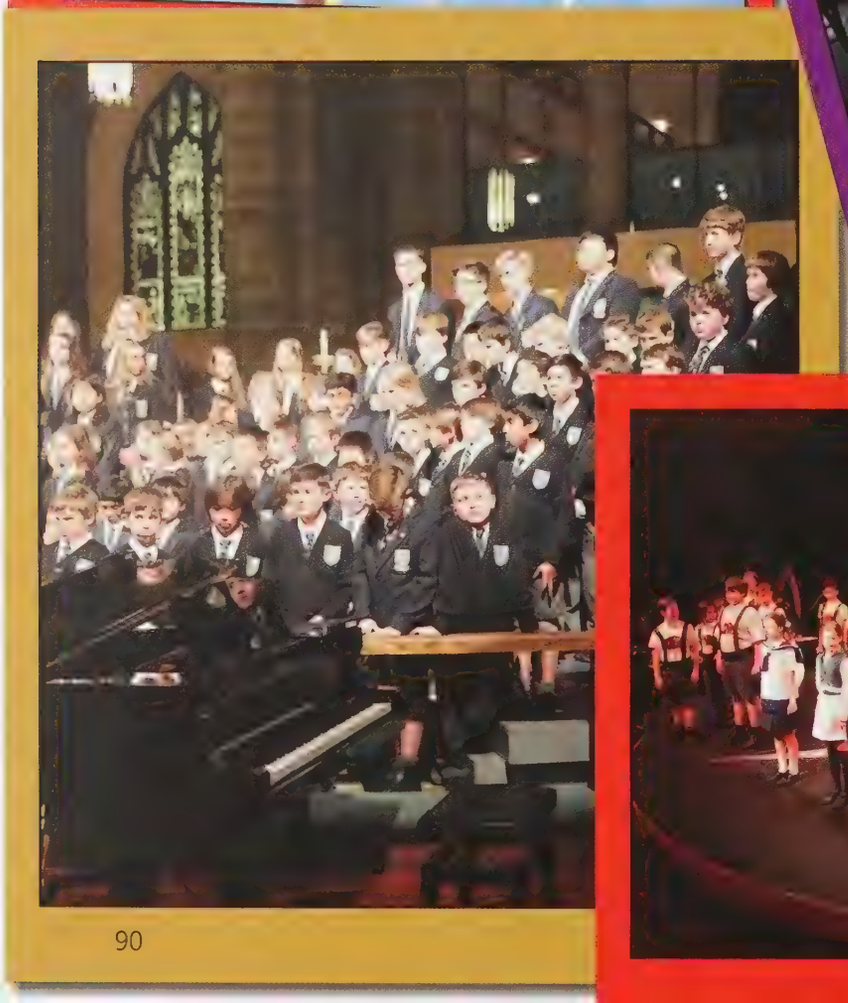


Beginner & Middle School Concert Band

Carol Service

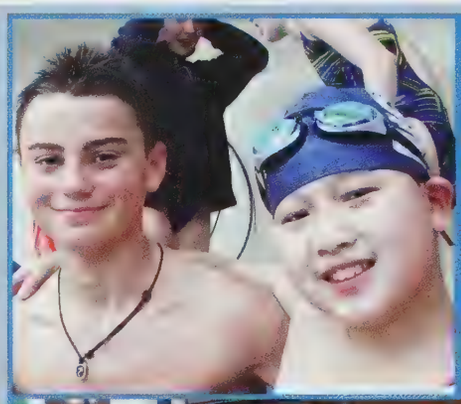
The annual Service of Nine Lessons and Carols at Christ Church Cathedral featured all the choirs singing together in two massed numbers as well as individual songs by each choir.

Debate

In January, GNS hosted the 2017 Island Regional Debate tournament, the largest regional tournament in BC. In the Novice category, we picked up all 3 provincial spots: 1st - Alexander Muller-Clemm & Andrew Wale, 2nd - Anders Woodruff & Corin Wallace and 3rd - Gabrielle MacPherson & Brooke Taylor.

Swimming

Swim Team members included: Emilio Agostinelli, Bjorn Allerdissen, Martin Allerdissen, Paola Bahena, Miia Bekker, Ben Dand, Ava Dryden, Faye Dryden, Louisa Eder, Nathan Fourt, Aoife Golonka, Tara Golonka, Eva Grand, Jacob Hier, Lainey Hunt, Chanel Lafrance, Sophie Lee, Yuka Lu, Gabrielle MacPherson, Rebecca Palm, Grace Poole, Kelley Poole, Arran Robertson, Fraser Roethel, Marisa Smith, Dexter Stoiber, Sophia Vasko, Robin Xu, Savanna Yaremchuk, and Brayden Young.



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Finnbar
Gabby
Grade 8
Monochromatic Art
Francesca
Gabby
Hunter

Volleyball

Girls 6/7 - Coach Leah Hall
Girls 7/8 - Coach Kathleen Mullaney
Boys 7/8 - Coaches Jake Burnett and Damon Henry

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Girls 7/8 - Vanessa Leibel, Ava Dryden, Paola Bahena Mondragon, Tara Golonka, Lily Wieczorek, Madison Davits, Ella Brown, Gabrielle MacPherson, Taylor Leong, Jolina Ko, Sophia Vasko, Londyn Denford, Hannah White, Sarah Zarzour, Lily Brice, Sophie Van Cuylenborg, Brooke Taylor, Yuka Lu, Grace Poole.
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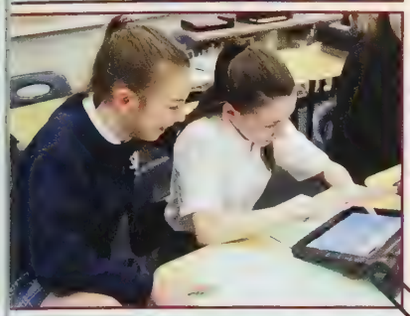
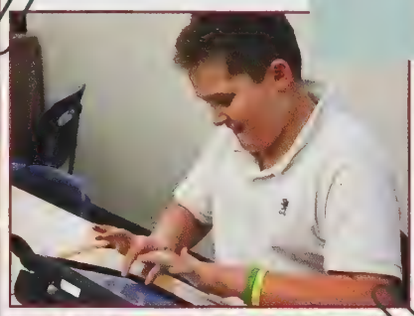
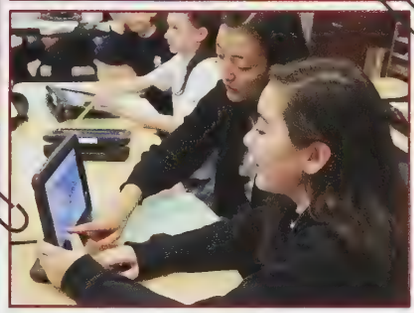
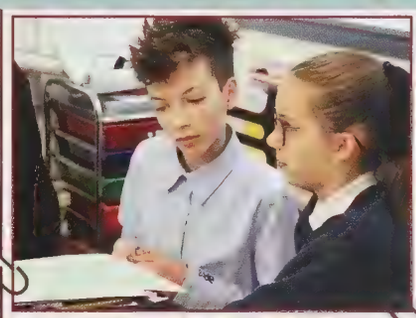
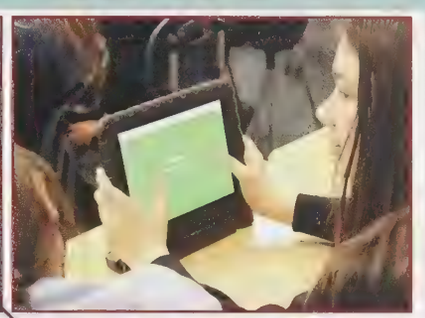
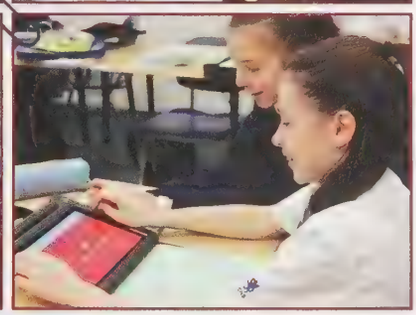
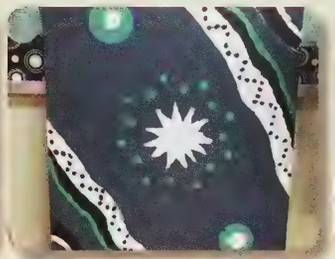
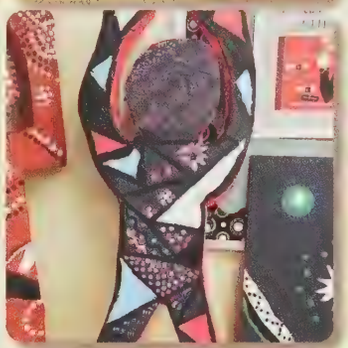
French 7 Kahoot!



In order to help learn a number of new expressions in a new unit, students created a team game!





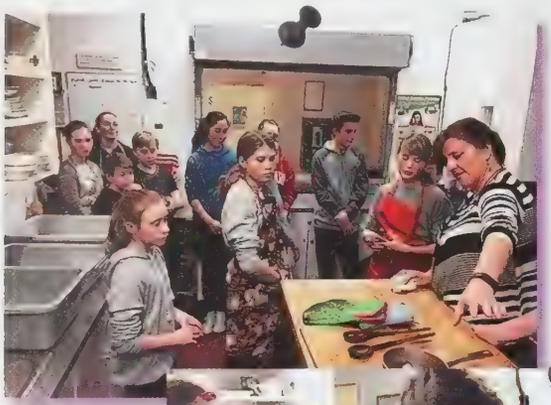
Grade 7 Australian Art

Gallery of

Fame

Young Round Square

Young Round Square got to run the Mustard Seed Street Cafe for a second time this year. They planned the menu, bought the ingredients, cooked the meal and served the patrons. On the menu: chicken curry.



Garage Sale

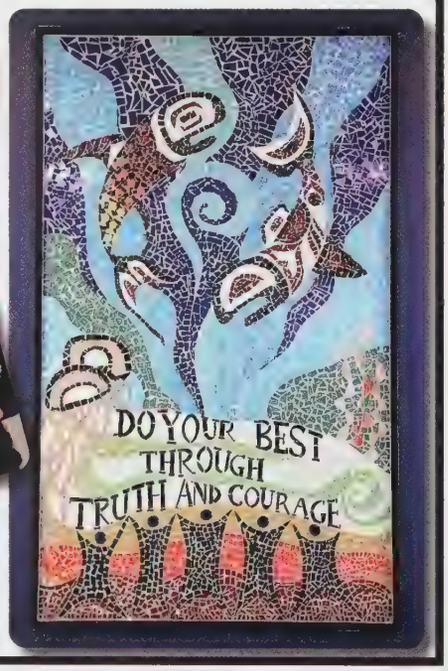
Grade 6s brought slightly used or new items to sell in order to practice calculating percentages and discounts. Fifty percent of the proceeds went to the SPCA.

Ancient Civilization Exhibits

One year ago, several students entered a design contest for a mural to hang in the Brooks Building foyer. Three designers ideas were incorporated into the final 3 foot by 5 foot work. The final design represents different aspects of what makes GNS unique. The two fish symbolize teachers and students working together, while the people at the bottom symbolize the support of the community.

Mural

Designers: Erin Addison, Melissa Lee, Savanna Yaremchuk & Ms. Gina Sicotte



Grade 6 Skating

All Grade 6s experienced a quintessential Canadian pastime at the beautiful Butchart Gardens. It was a cold and frosty day this year, with temperatures dipping below zero!

Winter Term 2017

MIDDLE SCHOOL TIMES

GNS GRYPHONS

Academics

Special Guest

Joelle Anthony, also known as JM Kelly, visited some Grade 7s and led a workshop on "Writing Bad Stories". Ms. Anthony had some interesting creative writing concepts.

Clubs

U15 Boys Basketball

Sarah Bowder and Randy Ollech coached this Victoria Amateur team who became City Champions on February 21. The team was comprised mainly of GNS students and the all appreciated Dana Miller's volunteer hours working as the team's scorekeeper/timekeeper for the entire season.

Clubs

Ban Grizzly Bear Hunting

Three GNS students took up the cause after joining GNS's Environmental Club two years ago in Grade 6. Marisa Smith, Guilia Giommi and Lily Wieczorek have written many letters to local politicians and organizations in the hopes of putting pressure on the provincial government to ban the practice of trophy hunting grizzly bears in BC. After their meeting with local NDP MLA Rob Fleming in November, the NDP officially pledged to end grizzly bear trophy hunting if elected in May.

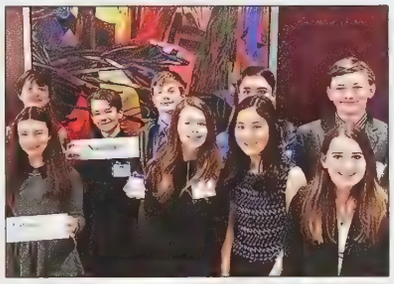
U15 Girls Basketball

The GNS U15 Girls Amateur Basketball team won the City Championship!

Clubs

VMUN

A team of MS and SS students participated in the Vancouver Model UN Conference at St George's in January. The event is two+ days long, with two hour sessions with short breaks in between during the day. On the last night, a midnight emergency is held. For Tara, representing Bosnia and Herzogovina, the emergency was a bombing at a Sikh temple. For Gabrielle, it was a nuclear meltdown in France.



Clubs

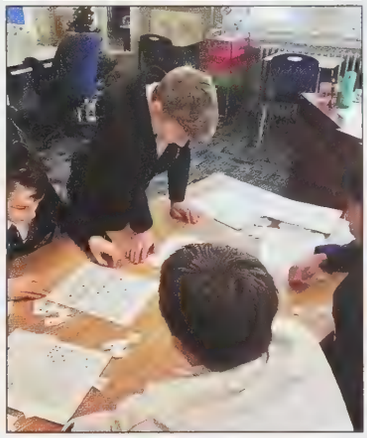
Fin Free

Grade 6 student, Zack Scott, finished 3rd at the Silex Canada Junior Indoor Provincial U12 Tennis Championships.

Academics

I&S 7

Students had the opportunity to learn to play the strategy game "Ancient Egyptian Senate" as part of their study of ancient cultures.



Science 8

Students rotated through different stations where they had to observe two substances interacting and determine if there was a change and if the change was physical or chemical.

Mandarin 8

The class visited the Beach campus for a lantern-making buddy event.

Spring Term

Coach Tassy Davidson had a huge group of players: Rohan Bandechha, Connor Bosenberg, Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Rhys Butterfield, Parker Dix, Drew Erickson, Alex Gonin, Gillian Howe, Liam Hughes, Lainey Hunt, Nathan Jackson, Quinn Levinson, Alice Li, Jaiden Lo, Gabrielle MacPherson, Jacob McIntyre, Olivia Morphet, Alexander Muller-Clemm, Bryan Muller-Clemm, Satchel Ramraj, Callum Shillington, Mohannah Singh, Ellie Steele, Finnbar Sweeney, Brooke Taylor, Ian Taylor, Andrew Wale, Eryn Wale, Finlay Walker-Cutt, Corin Wallace, Ethan Wharton, Beatrix White, Shunkichi Yamamoto, Savanna Yaremchuk, & Brayden Young.

Ultimate

This large team was coached by Bunny Hughes: Marisa Smith, Sophie Lee, Londyn Denford, Savanna Yaremchuk, Sophie Lee, Gabrielle MacPherson, Sophia-Kathryn Glatiotis, Vanessa Leibel, Ellie Steele, Giulia Giommi, Mohannah Singh, Ava Dryden, Lindy Kim, Calla Roberts, Hannah White, Helena Mundstock, Brooke Taylor, Isabelle Berry, Devan Duquett, Flora Sweeney, Alison Roberts, Taya Lee, Sophie Van Cuylenborg, Sarah Zarzour, Dawn Beck, Lily Wieczorek, Riya Kang, Beatrix White, Francesca Cumberbirch, Chanel Lafrance, Makena Lee Lily Brice, Regan Turner, Julia Phillips.

Field Hockey

With teacher/sponsor Damon Henry and coach Macbryan Bos, the following students played rugby on Wednesdays: Dylan Hemphill-Theriault, Jack Barry, Rhys Butterfield, Rishi Kapil, Cole Marriette, Matthew McCoey, Calla Roberts, Connor Roberts, Dylan Sprang, Finnlay White and Jason Ye.

Rugby

U13 Girls Soccer

Tassy Davidson and Duncan Brice coached and supervised the team as they headed to their soccer tournament at West Point Grey in Vancouver: Izzy Berry, Jillian Betts, Makena Lee, Sophie Lee, Tessa Lovett, Helena Mundstock, Ella Stanger, Ellie Steele, Anna Sun, Flora Sweeney, Regan Turner, Pila Villanueva, Beatrix White and Savanna Yaremchuk.

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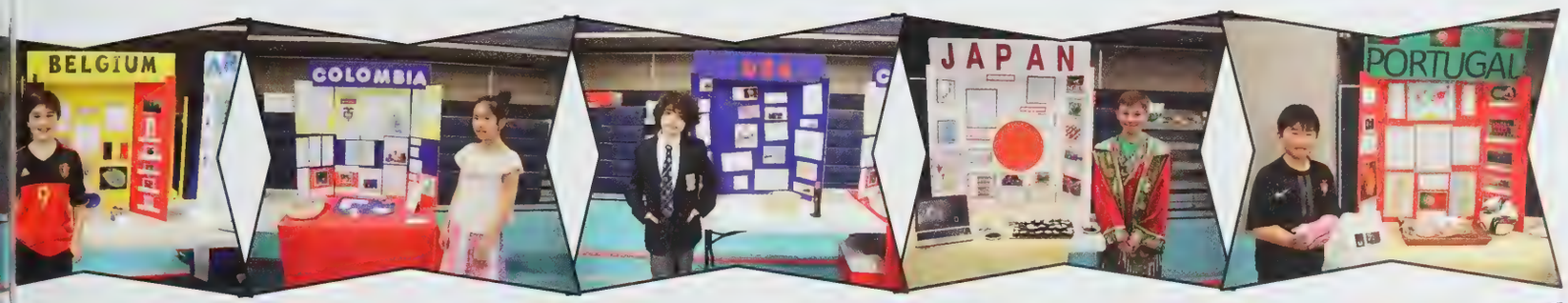

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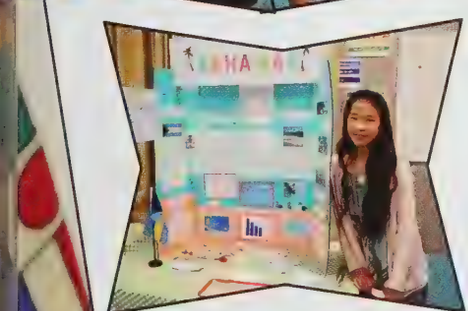

Grade 6 Nordic Day

Track & Field

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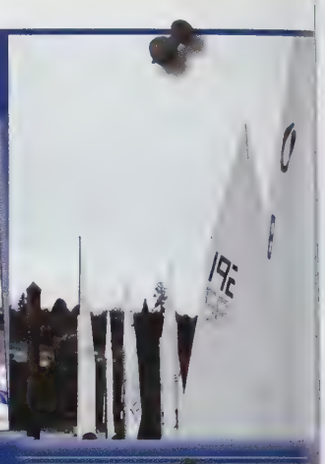
Sailing



Sailors included Savanna Yaremchuk, Sophie Lee, Pilar Villanueva, Tessa Lovett, Flora Sweeney, Valentina Villaneuva, Paola Bahena, Jillian Betts, Fiona Morrical and Katrina Wei. Coach Paul Mais was assisted by 2 volunteers, Grace & Kelley Poole.

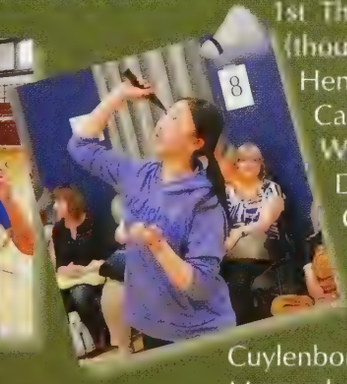
Tennis

Inspired by Zach Scott, a number of students tried out tennis during the Spring Term.

Grade 7 & 8 Marine Adventure

Badminton

The players showed great enthusiasm, determination and sportsmanship this season. At City Finals, the results were: Grade 6 Boys Doubles - 1st Mats & Callum, Grade 7 Boys Singles - 1st Theo, Grade 8 Girls Doubles - 2nd Londyn & Yuka, Grade 8 Girls Singles - 2nd Alice (though she is only Grade 7). Grade 6: Rohan Bandechha, Mats Dorsam, Aoife Golonka, Henry Han, Lily Kang, Niko Krusekopf, Chanel Lafrance, Rebecca Palm, Zach Scott, Callum Shillington, Ian Taylor, Alex Vroom, Eryn Wale, Finlay Walker-Cutt, Abby Watterson, Spencer Wright & Jason Ye. Grade 7: Isabelle Berry, Benny Blum, Devan Duquette, Drew Erickson, Lainey Hunt, Jaiden Lo, Deaton Pollock, Theodore, Ruan, Grace Serfas, & Beatrix White. Grade 8: Connor Bosenberg, Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Londyn Denford, Ava Dryden, Connor Elliott, Alex Gonin, Dylan Hemphill-Theriault, Leo Huang, Jolina Ko, Taylor Leong, Alice Li, Yuka Lu, Gabrielle MacPherson, Jacob McIntyre, Grace Poole, Kelley Poole, Dexter Stoiber, Brooke Taylor, Sophie Van Cuylenborg, Andrew Wale, Corin Wallace, Katrina Wei, & Sarah Zarzour. Caches were jackie Maycock & Suzanne Chisholm.



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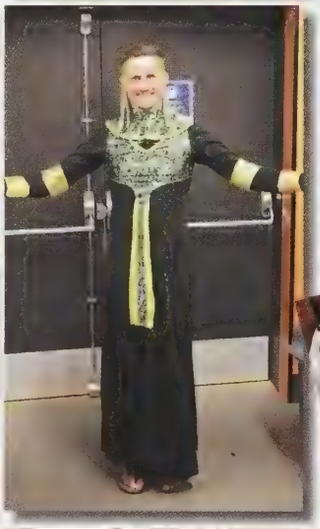
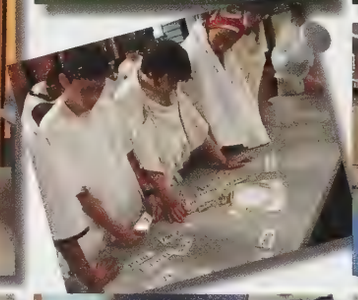


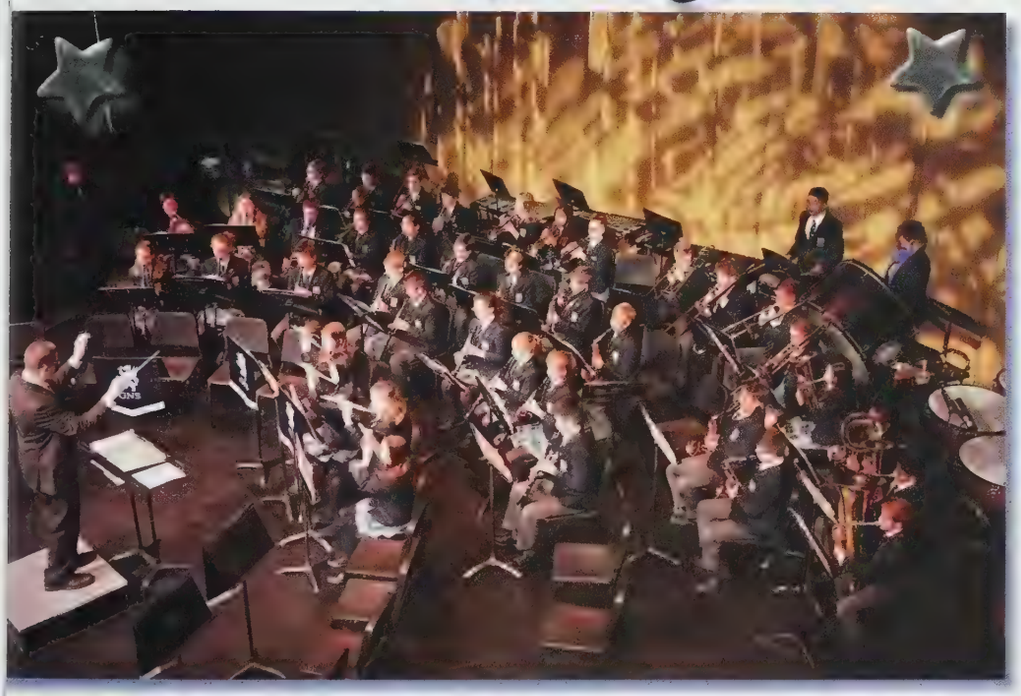


Young Round Square

Tara, Morgan and Mira were three of 86 students and 32 chaperones from 27 different schools in Argentina, Bermuda, Canada, Colombia, Denmark, Japan, Peru and the United States that travelled to Hackley School in New York City for the Young Round Square Regional Conference. The conference there was "Exploring Democracy in the Big Apple". Kim Waugh was their chaperone.

ROUND SQUARE

Spring Concerts



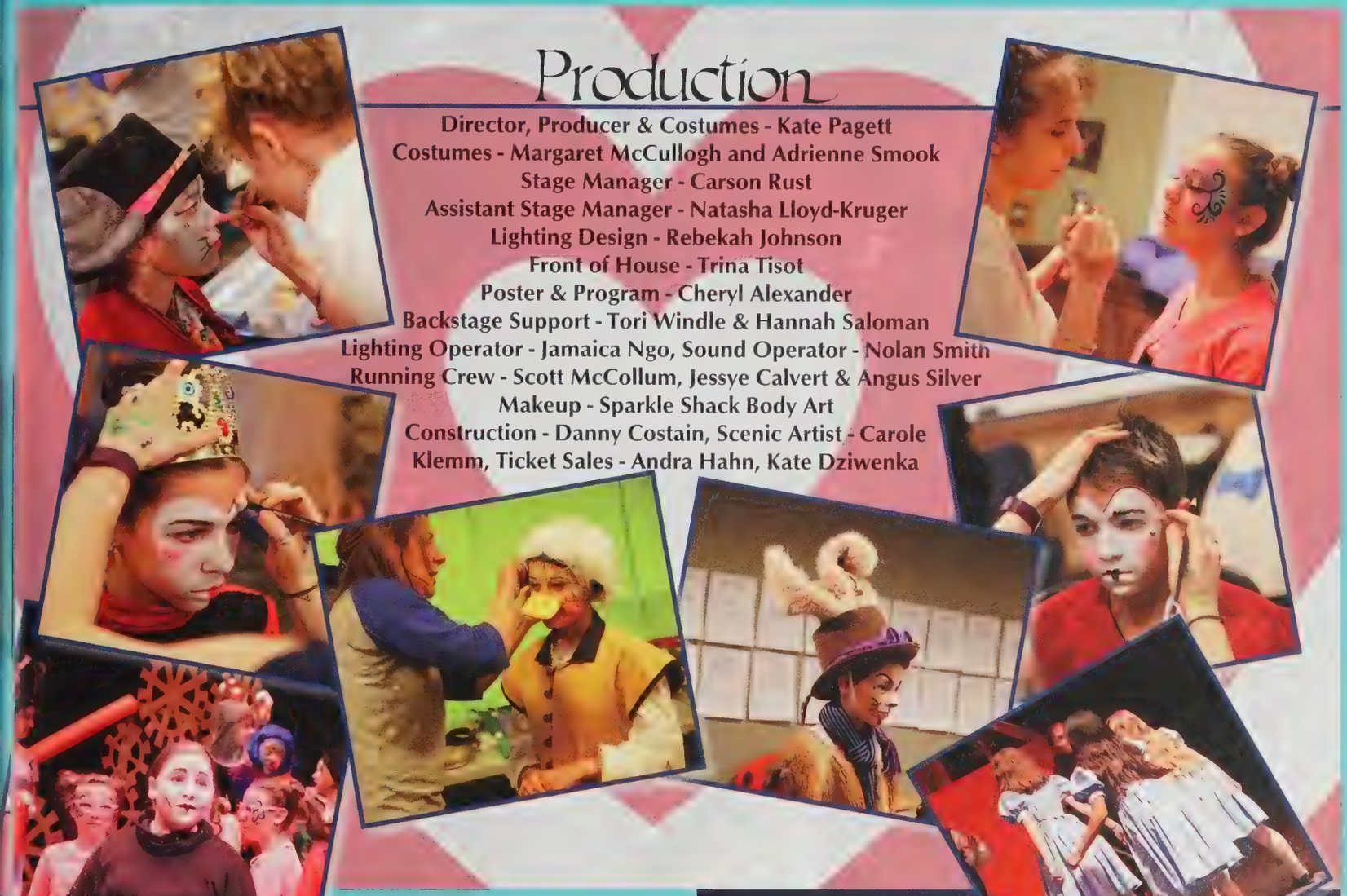
In addition to their concerts, students in the Middle School Concert Band and Concert Choir were eligible to head up Island on a one day tour. The bands, including the Middle School Jazz Band, performed at the Greater Victoria Performing Arts Festival in April for Sub-Lieutenant Vincent Roy, the Director of Music for the Naden Band of the Royal Canadian Navy.

Band & Choir

Alice in Wonderland

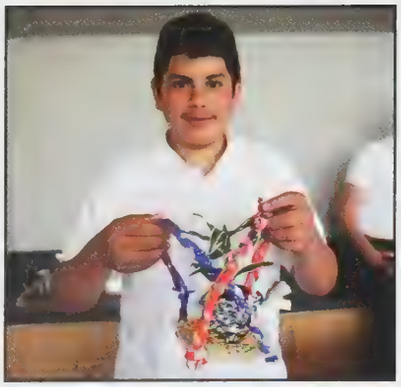
Production

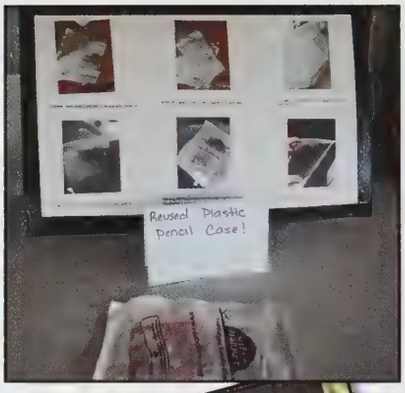
Director, Producer & Costumes - Kate Pagett
Costumes - Margaret McCullogh and Adrienne Smook
Stage Manager - Carson Rust
Assistant Stage Manager - Natasha Lloyd-Kruger
Lighting Design - Rebekah Johnson
Front of House - Trina Tisot
Poster & Program - Cheryl Alexander
Backstage Support - Tori Windle & Hannah Saloman
Lighting Operator - Jamaica Ngo, Sound Operator - Nolan Smith
Running Crew - Scott McCollum, Jessye Calvert & Angus Silver
Makeup - Sparkle Shack Body Art
Construction - Danny Costain, Scenic Artist - Carole Klemm, Ticket Sales - Andra Hahn, Kate Dziwenka

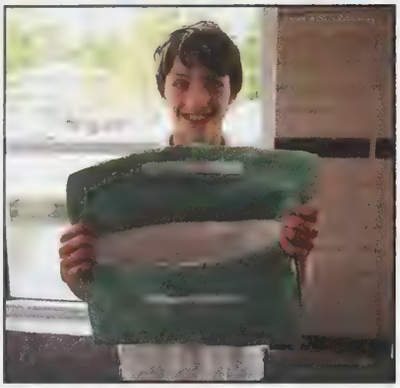


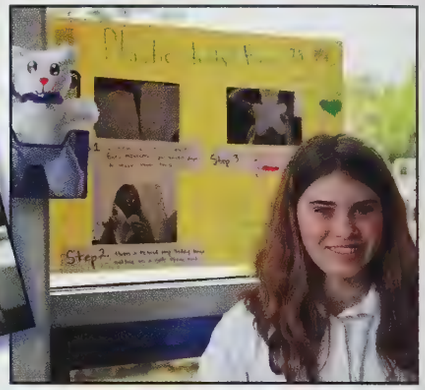
Cast

arah Zarzour (Edith); Alyssa Korol-Filbey, Julia Phillips, Lizzie Emslie & Riya Kang (Alice); Corin Wallace (White Rabbit); Gabrielle MacPherson (Mouse); Francesca Cumberbirch (Dodo); Devon Duquette (Lory); Anya Nadra (Duck); Lily Brice, Mahreya Green & Juliet Prosalendis (Caterpillar/Cat); Rebecca Palm (Lavendar); Regan Turner (Rose); Alison Roberts (Daisy); Vanessa Leibel (Painter); Niko Krusekopf (Fish Footman); Jacob McIntyre (Frog Footman); Fiona Morrical (Duchess); Flora Sweeney (Cook); Sophia Vitrouk & Angus Silver (Cheshire Cat); Marisa Smith (Tweedle Dee); Annalise Wall (Tweedle Dum); Jack Barry (Mad Hatter); Beatrix White (March Hare); Calla Roberts (Door Mouse); Rishi Kapil (Humpty Dumpty); Nathan Fourt (White Knight); Mohannah Singh (Queen of Hearts); Matchel Ramraj (King of Hearts); Quinn Levinson (Card Soldier); & Ryn Wale (Jack, the Knave of Hearts).



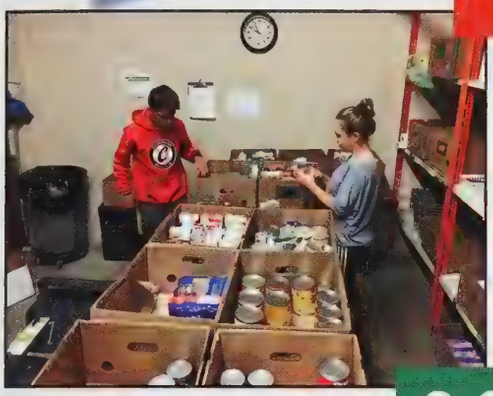






Grade 7 Upcycling

Service Day



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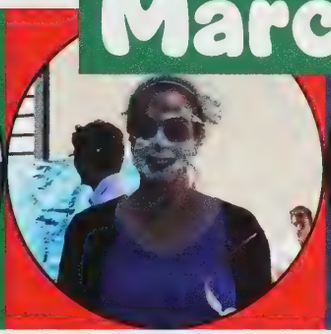
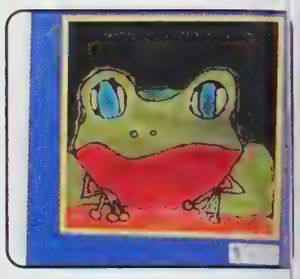
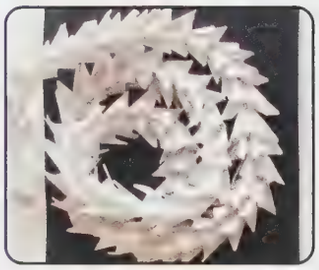
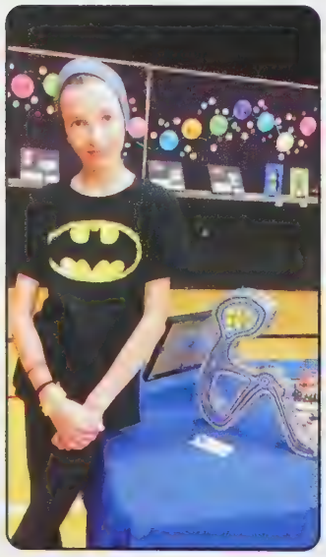


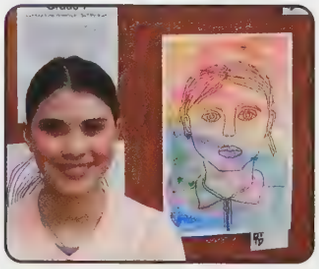
Conference Group Challenge

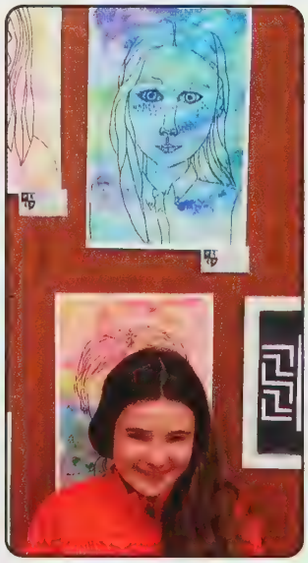
ISA Art Show

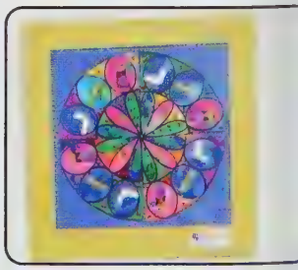












Spring Term 2017

MIDDLE SCHOOL TIMES

GNS GRYPHONS

Activities

Ban the Bag

Nine students from Grade 7-10 joined Annie Vallance and Kyla Kopperud at the Heads and Hearts to Action STEM conference for girls at St. Margaret's School. Speakers were Natalie Panek, a rocket scientist, adventurer and advocate for women in technology; Donna Garbutt, the CEO of Maxxam, a Canadian market leader in analytical services and solutions; and Rosemany Chapdelaine, the VP and General Manager of Lockheed Martin Canada Rotary and Mission Systems.

Haliburton Farms

A group of Round Square students headed to the farm to help for a day: Riya Kang, Julia Philips, Liz Aitken, Dawn Beck, Ava Dryden, Gabby MacPherson, Lily Wieczorek, Nya Owen, Regan Turner, Sophie Van Cuylenborg, Trinity Startek, Sarah Zarzour, Sophia Vasko and Fede di Frassinetto.

Academics

Concours in Class

Students in Grade 7 & 8 Enhanced French classes wrote and memorized 3 minute speeches. Internal and external judging took place, with some students even willing to perform their speeches in assembly. There were 3 categories for Grade 8 and 4 for Grade 7. Seven of the winners chose to attend the Province-wide competition on May 6, organized by the Canadian Parents for French at Simon Fraser University in Surrey. School winners were: Grade 7 - Beatrix White, Devan Duquette, Mira Sobkin & Emilio Agostinelli; Grade 8 - Alex Muller-Clemm, Ava Dryden and Andrew Wale.

Concours d'art Oratoire

Emilio Agostinelli, Mira Sobkin, Ava Dryden, Andrew Wale, Alex Muller-Clemm chose to attend Provincials. They were supported and coached by Clare Turner, Elspeth Easton and Grade 9 Jessica Soule as they not only had to say their speech, but also answer spontaneous questions from judges afterwards. Andrew placed 2nd in FSL.

Spaces

Music Centre Opening

Even though we had been using the beautifully renovated spaces for a few weeks, a grand opening was held so the public could see the amazing makeover.

The transformation in 2017 of the former Performing Arts Centre (PAC) into the Music Centre was made possible through the generosity of lead donors:

Tien-Chin Huang & Hong-Mei Huang Wang
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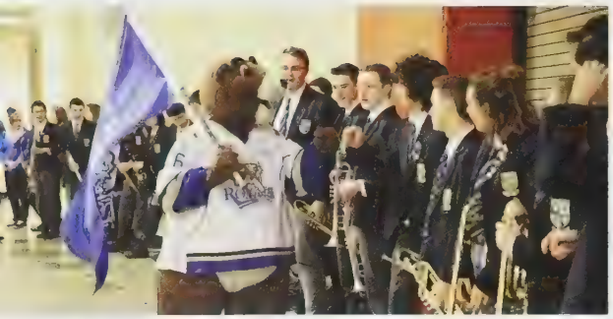
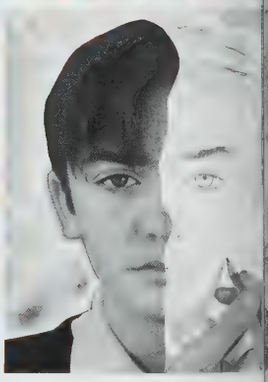
Activities

Easter Eggs

The SS sponsored Easter Egg decorating and many adorable eggs were created by both SS and MS students!





Senior School

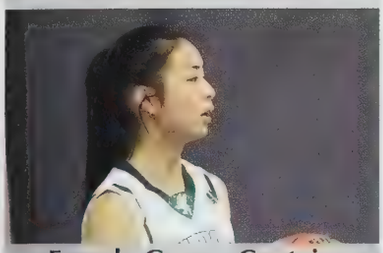
Prefects

Male Games Captain: Pierce Colpman AND Grad: Lewis Hinton

Head Girl with Arts: Sophia Sainsbury

Head Girl: Cameron Hahn

Head Boy: Stuart Cameron



Female Games Captain: Sylvie Galloway

Service: Hannah Block

Environment & Adventure: Ilse Loomer-Scott AND Round Square: Eleana

Cultural: Alice Xiao

Grad Retreat

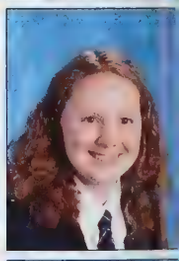
SAC: Danielle Thoms

Ambassador: Aidan McCallum

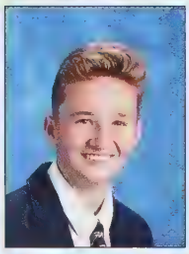
Grade 9

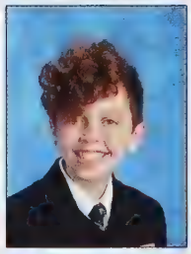
Ava Acomba
Erin Addison
Matthew Alexander
Finley Armstrong
Eliza Baines
Conor Barclay
Alec Boegman

Josh Bowder
Charlotte Brady
Nicole Burnett
Anastasia Castro
Melody Cheng
Lisa Choi
Lily Davies



Nolan Dempsey
Jack DesBrisay
Drake Erickson
Dana Escalante
Nicole Fast
Sofie Finn Storan
Camille Germain





Luciana Gonzalez
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Maddie Harris
Maiya Hernandez-Morrison
Chloe Hill-Huse
Liam Hoogewerf
Katie Hurst

Izzy Irvine
Cedric Jegede
Sally Jones
Keryn Jung
Erica Lee
Deandra Livora
William Li

Rodrigo Rosa La De Lozano
Ismay Macklin
Colin MacMillan
Scott McCollom
Clara Meyer
Jackson Miller

Leo Prosalendis
Callum Robertson
Luke Rodrigues
Jake Samphire
Zoe Slendebroek
Saffron Sobkin
Ronen Somogyi

Jessica Soule
Thomas Startek
Caitlin Steves
Pitchaya
Sunthonmongkholkit
Zofka Svec
Jakob Svorkdal
Reid Thompson

Piramon Tisapramotkul
Michaela Vandenham
Joel Verrier
Polina Vitrouk
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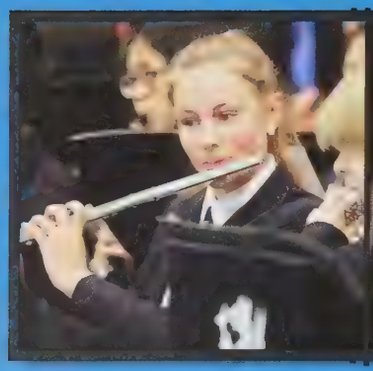
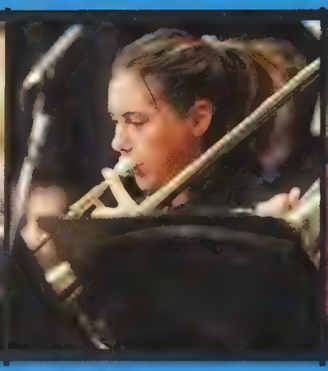
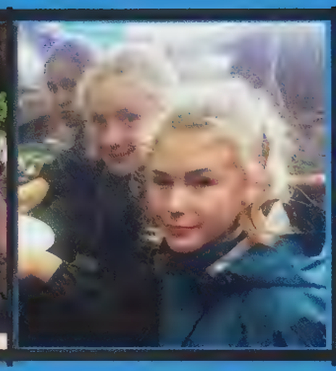
Sam Zhao



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Katharina Aupperle
Noah Ballinger
Mark Barr
Iain Betts
Amelia Brown

Cassidy Brumby
Curtis Chan
Michael Cheung
Clifton Chim
Manon Damant
Kevin Dang
Fallyn Denford

Rachel Diment
Alessandra di Frassineto
Noah Fekete
Gaby Girard
Siobhan Golonka
Christopher Graham
Thomas Healey

Sydney Hemphill
Emma Hofer
Angelina Huang
David Huang
Nancy Huang
Aniela Jarvis
Mei Kanda

Claire Kang
Kim Christine
Alex Kong
Jasmine Lee
Michelle Lee
Bree McElvaine
Kate McIntyre

Annie McLeod
Robin Meng
Henry Morrison
Isabella Moyer
Julia Newcombe
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Kaya Oro Martin

Dex Owen
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Ivan Shumski
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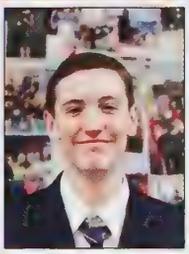

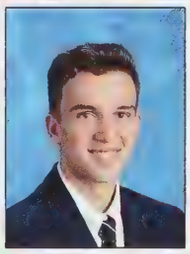

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Liam Turner
Maia Vasko

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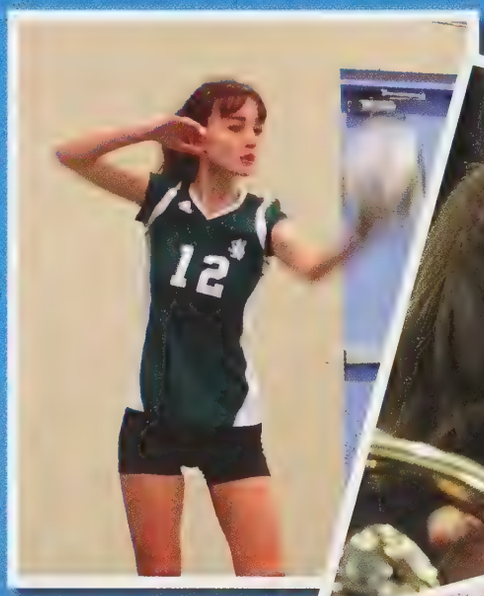

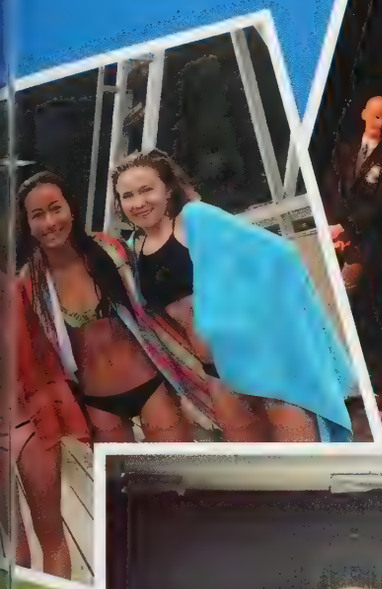

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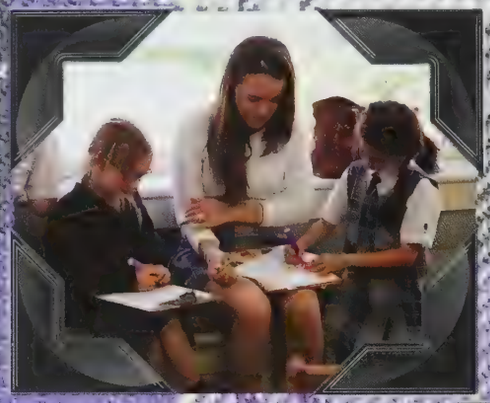

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Garrett Beattie
Madeline Berry
Jessye Calvert
Artidtaya Chaithanayot

Ella Chan
Anna Ciceri
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Andrea DeMeo
Bronte Denford
Madeleine DesBrisay
Adrienne Descamps

Benjamin Djukastein
Long Long Do
Andrea Egan
Caitlin Forster-Coull
Angus Fraser-Brown
Jane Glowicki
Anna Harama-Bedard

Lucas Hoelscher
Tracy Huynh
Risa Ishiguro
Drew Jackson
Kin Jiengphattanakit
Prudence Johnson-Hill
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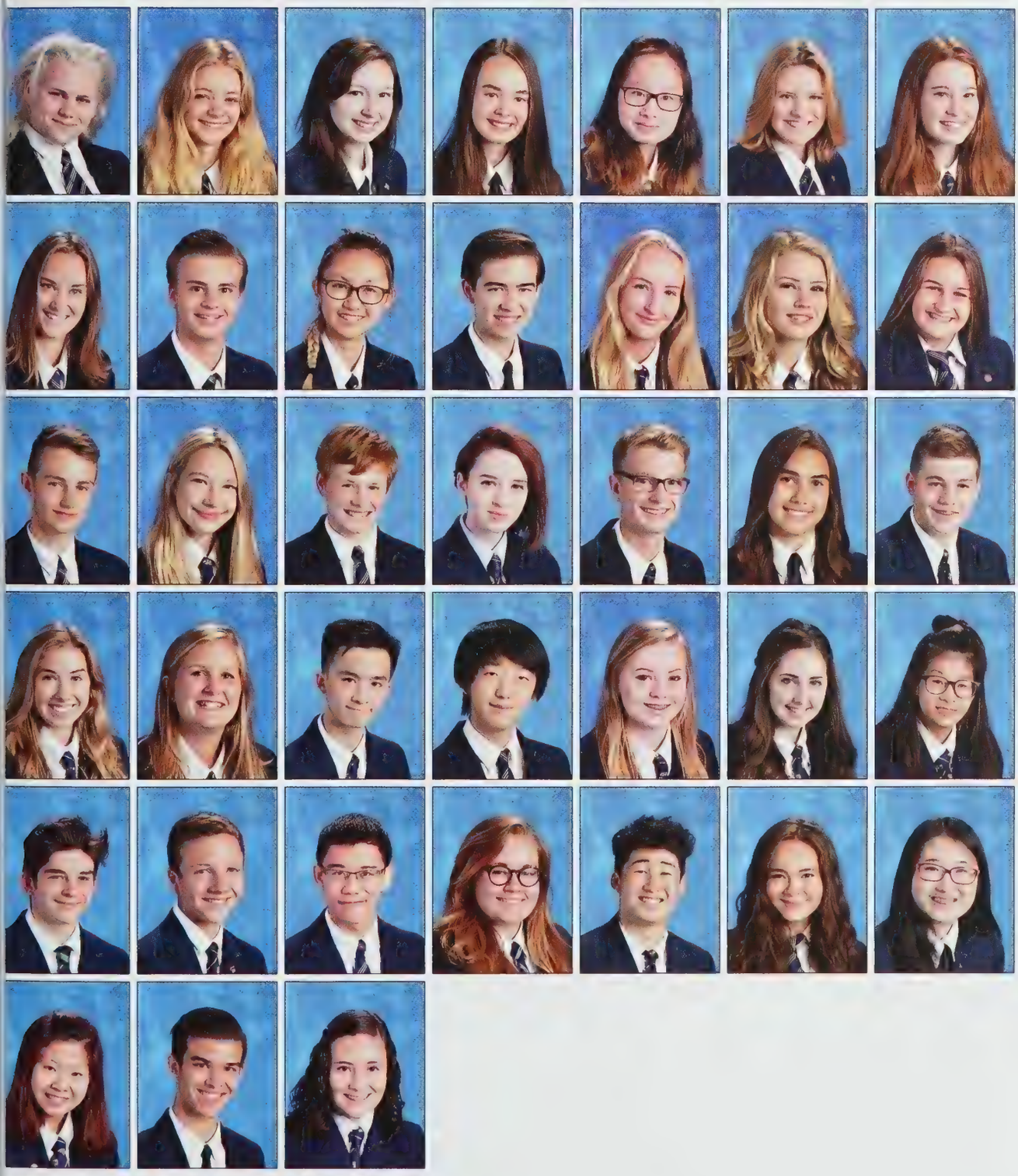

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Danae McCulloch

Jenna Miller
Kris Neilson
Jamaica Ngo
Michael Norris
Renee Rathwell
Chelsea Roberts
Hannah Salomon

Dylan Samphire
Angeline Silman
Angus Silver
Marissa Smithson
Millar Smith
Jasmyne Storm
Bjorn Svorkdal

Isobel Sweeney
Bella Szwender
Ian Tam
Takahiro Tanaka
Paige Thompson
Nina Thomson
Pirada Tisapramotkul

Hamish Vaughan-Wimmer
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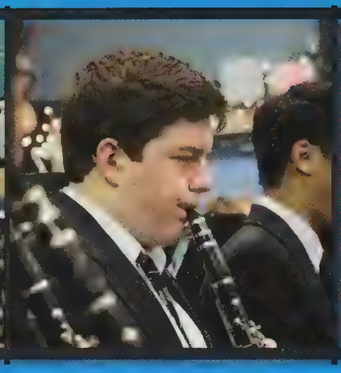
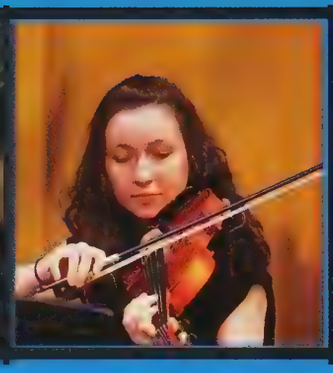
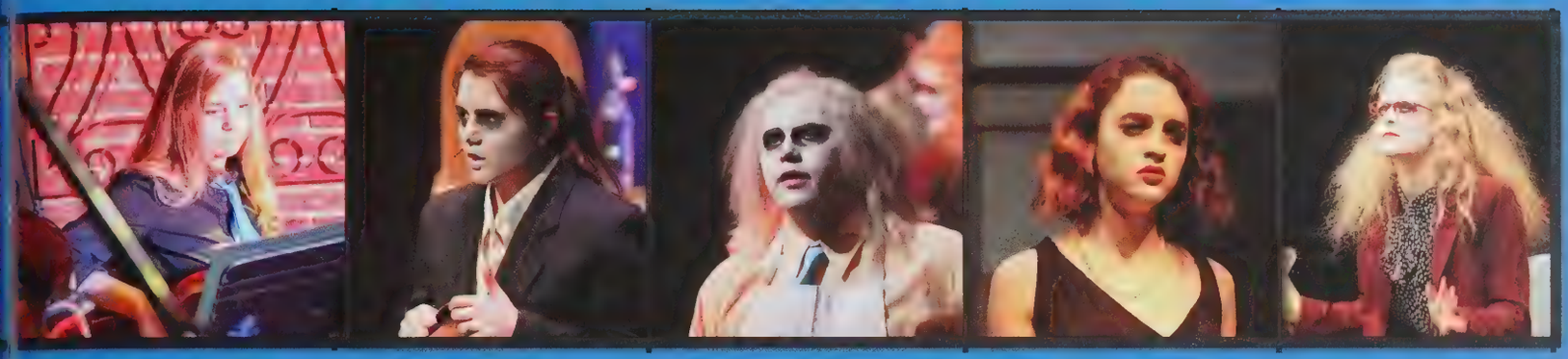


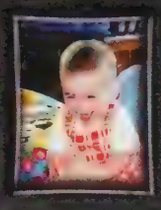




Gr. 11 - 12

Greg Adams

And lo! Greg was born and bestowed upon the earth his witty commentary on all things. Originally thought to be quiet and reserved..... we learned quickly that Greg was neither quiet..... nor reserved. Talented essayist? Yes. Articulate debater? Yes. Lifting Champion? Yes. But best of all, he attained a #2 world ranking in the online game, World of Tanks! Our eclectically brilliant Greg will study economics at Queen's University in the fall, where he will room with Aidan, apparently the only person who can control him.



Gr. K - 12

Eleana Block

Eleana is one of those low-flying, under-the-radar superstars for whom humility is second nature. Known as Grandma among friends, she is everyone's protector; she treats school as a humanitarian mission, whether in lessons, as Round Square prefect, surfing in outdoor ed, or helping lead the team in basketball. Described by friends as the most positive friend, even when pessimistic, and the "most organised disorganised" person they know, Eleana will carry this propensity for paradox into Life Sciences at the University of Toronto.

Gr. K - 12

Hannah Block

Although banned from the beach for too many soakers, Hannah's kindergarten teacher said that she "had a strong sense of right and wrong" - so perhaps Hannah was always destined to become our Service Prefect. Her compassion has been her guiding star through twelve years at GNS, and led her abroad for service opportunities in India and Peru. Diploma Candidate and gifted stage performer Hannah will study international relations at McGill University.

Gr. 8 - 12

Sam Bohlken-Hern

If asked to describe himself... Sam will smile silently. But after a cup of tea, prepared from his secret 2nd locker of tea and cookies, Sam might reveal that he really liked excursions - especially the Japan Trip, that he dislikes presentations, & that he is proud to have balanced academic success with a myriad of other interests. This bright fellow will study sciences at McGill next year, and we hope he will be back to share another quiet cup of tea.

Gr. 6 - 12

Jessa Broeren

Jessa has sense and sensibility, and, to complete the analogy, is also a published author. Unlike Jane Austen, however, Jessa is also passionate about soccer, and when she is not playing, she is coaching the stars of tomorrow. Jessa is a scholar and diploma candidate with her sights set on the University of Toronto for a degree in science and kinesiology.

Gr. 10 - 12

Stuart Cameron

Dramatic and charming Stuart Cameron runs his own very successful event planning company, Concept-Couture. Oh, yes, and he has been a terrific Head Boy, host of "chats with Stu", and a passionate supporter of social justice initiatives. We will miss him next year when he departs for Creative Industries at Ryerson, but at least we can cheer ourselves up by looking at his beautiful selfie with Christy Clark on the library wall.

Gr. 11 - 12

Pui Chi Clare Chan

Although she terrifies us with her phenomenal tackling abilities on the rugby pitch, Clare is a friendly and humorous joker in the rest of her life. She has had many happy experiences in Victoria, - band trips, cultural club, model UN, round square, and don't forget those yoga moments during math class. Clare looks forward to biochemistry at the University of Toronto, but she will miss her fantastic homestay parents.

Gr. 1 - 12

Caitlin Ciceri

Caitlin, or "C-squared" to those who know her best, has spent years mastering the art of taking notes in class while simultaneously writing song lyrics. Comical and creative, Caitlin is also a finesse soccer player and wonderful teammate. This environmental enthusiast and leader of a rock band has deferred admission to the University of Toronto and the Berkeley School of Music for a gap year focusing on her craft.

Gr. 6 - 12

Pierce Colpman

Pierce's peers say he is "aggressive in a friendly way". Pierce loved playing on GNS sports teams, but is also an academic and a gentleman; he'll give you the polo shirt off his very muscle-y back. Pierce credits the tartan toque & his close friendship with older brother Quinn for getting him through and into the honours life sciences program at Queen's. We'll miss him, but remember..... there's a giant photo of him playing the saxophone in the Gudewill.

Gr. 6 - 12

Bryn Cubberley

"Bearcub" or "Lord Cubberly" is a model of relaxed courtly sportsmanship, who visits us today from his gentlemans' club in St. James square. He plays trumpet, chuckles gently at the world and is sensitive to the nuances of the human heart. Bryn waited til Grade 12 to play rugby, but has real potential. Bryn will commence engineering at UVic after spending the summer working and travelling.

Gr. 6 - 12

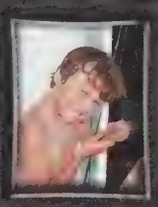
Rowan Damant

Although this unassuming, unpretentious young man is assuredly a gentleman, Rowan confesses he did bribe his way to the Regional Science Fair by including chips and some spicy salsa in his project display. Those rugby and soccer teams will miss his tenacity and "calves of fury".... those calves .....they helped win 5 Provincials. Rowan will enter the Gustavson School of Business at The University of Victoria, but will miss "goon" soccer on the GNS turf.

Gr. 4 - 12

Corinna Darcie

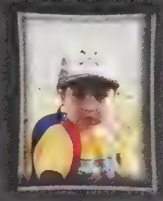
Corinna is the last and, she maintains, best of Clan Darcie. Spirit Animal: Antelope. Her witty, adventurous mind is so fast that no one can really keep up - even Corinna. She also moves fast on the soccer field or volleyball court, and faster still at the easel with her amazing art! It is fitting that our compassionate Corinna will undertake Social Work at Carleton next year - unless she succeeds in her ambition to star on "The Bachelor", in which case, all bets are off.



Gr. 6 - 12

Maxwell Dickinson

With his quick and analytical mind, Max has a genuine love for and knowledge of history. Kind, gentle, quiet - our Max responds to the antics of his peers with a puzzled shake of the head...all the while maintaining a brilliant economic investment portfolio, he has already been head-hunted by Goldman Sachs, not to mention Sony and Nintendo for his gaming prowess. Next year, Max plans on travelling and then will study history.



Gr. 4 - 12

Julian Dosanjh

Apparently Julian is a really, really good sport, which is probably why his friends enjoy tormenting him so much. They are jealous because he can get himself out of trouble just by batting his improbably long eyelashes. A keen soccer player, he won an award for best attacker despite being a centerback. Next year, "Boolian" will study sports psychology at The University of Victoria or Camosun.

Gr. 5 - 12

James Duncan

Happy-go-lucky James wears shorts and a t-shirt even in winter, which is entirely consistent with his "glass half-full" philosophy. He sees the humour in everything, even chemistry. In Grade 5, Mr. Kiddell wrote, "He is a bright, well-behaved and talented boy with a very bright future," and we couldn't agree more. James is pleased to study Life Sciences at Queen's University next year but he will miss rowing on the lake and chatting with his friends in class

Gr. 7 - 12

Kirsten Dupuy

Laser-focused Kirsten takes off her glasses, hits the changeroom - emerges in full superwoman garb ... to vanquish the worlds of academia and sport Watch her fly across the field, hit a 3 pointer or dominate the tennis court...and the book club! Watch her conquer with her smile and quiet confidence! Our very own superhero will fly off to General Science at UVic. We'll will cheer her on with all the best wishes in the world.

Gr. 11 - 12

Camila Estrada Avila

Carismática Camila vino a GNS desde Méjico hace dos años para enseñarnos lo que quiere decir cariño y sobre un mundo sin camarillas o barreras.
Within a day at GNS - 100 activities and 100 friends; on her wondrous trip to LA with Round Square - 100 more! Camila will continue to break down walls at the University of Victoria, where she goes for Science.

Gr. 3 - 12

Emily Forster-Coull

Did you know that Emily works at the Flying Squirrel Trampoline Park - somehow this seems fitting for our sweet, funny, extroverted girl. Oddly, but appropriately, both senior school facebook pages are named "Emily's support group". Emily's favourite memories include boating the Amazon, hiking the Kludahk trail, and kayaking the gulf islands.She is excited by economics at Queen's next year. Emily, your fellow graduates would love to know "Is the iceman still alive?"

Gr. 6 - 12

Chloe Freeman

You've heard of an un-lived life? Well, Chloe lives a lived life! In her short time thus far on this planet, she is an understated humorist, multiple service trip goer, outdoor enthusiast, field hockey goalie, Captain of Rowing, and overall Princess of Positivity - according to friends, even dear Mr. Stanley is a little less acerbic after Chloe waves her positivity wand. Next year Chloe will study commerce at Queen's, and GNS will be a little less bright without her.

Gr. 7 - 12

Sylvie Galloway

Sylvie's athletic skills are such that she could flip her way across this stage, up those stairs and off into the horizon! Is it any wonder that she was our amazing female games captain! Another skill, says Ms. Doerkson, is that if we could spy into Sylvie's soul, we would see she is always doing the right thing at the right time: she leads by action..... not bluster. Sylvie will study life sciences at U of T next year, and would like to thank her parents and teachers for their support.

Gr. K - 12

Cameron Hahn

Alright folks, Lifer Cam is up to bat - locked in tough competition with Sophia for best laugh of 2017, but is assured master of uncontrollable giggling. We have appreciated our head-girl's sense of humour and leadership this year, especially her calm demeanor and admirable efforts to keep Stuart on track. We will miss "CamYam's" 50 shades of red when she departs to study kinesiology and play field hockey at the University of Western Ontario.

Gr. 11 - 12

Kasra Hashemi

Original and quick thinking, Kas is an avid bongo player and man of gold chains. Kasra, Kookatuk, Kas, or Kooky has spent two years at GNS, and he will miss Mr. Zuk calling him out for having a four-course meal in class - complete with 6 separate containers for sour cream, guacamole, beef, cheese, lettuce and tomatoes. Kasra's plans for the future include studying Biology at UVic and growing out his beard.

Gr. K - 12

Hunter Hernandez-Morrison

Hunter, one of our basketball captains and a lifer, brims with personality; in the words of several peers (who have asked to remain unnamed), "we all just want to squish him and hug him and squeeze him." But also, they add, "If you want something handled, ask Hernandez." Observe Hunter coaching soccer or patiently explaining whiteboard pen use to Ms Nielson's daughter, and you will see a mature and compassionate young man ready to take on the challenge of the Rotman Commerce Program at the University of Toronto next year..

Gr. 1 - 12

Andrea Herrmann

Once upon time, at the tender age of 7, Andrea donned her rubber boots and set off to walk to Jimmy Chicken Island. Aged 14, she broke her own arm throwing her bowling ball. Andrea is adorable. An organized and dedicated student, true, but as her peers say, if GNS had a " little sweetheart" prize, it would go to Andrea. She graduates this year with Mr. Melville, her math tutor, as she leaves for UBC Okanagan, to study Nursing and Sciences.

Gr. 4 - 12

Lewis Hinton

Grade 8: whistles screamed /horns blew - while Lewis gently snoozed on the bench waiting for his brother's basketball practice to be over; Mr Thorau says it is clear that Lewis will never die of a stress related illness. These days, our athlete, Grad Prefect, nice guy and life of the party Lewis rides blades when he skis because he thinks it gets him the girls... and it does! With his innate charm and sly sunny smile, Lewis will triumph in the commerce program at Queen's University next year.

Gr. 11 - 12

Colten Hodak

Mr Jackson tells us that Colten is "Always open for new ideas". This classic rock music fan is a terrific "woodsman" and extremely useful on all outdoor ed trips. We have enjoyed the company of this competent and kind Albertan for the last two years at GNS. Did you know that while Colten was attending school this year - he was building his very own house? Colten will study at UVic in sciences with an eye on radiology long term.

Gr. 9 - 12

Thomas Horan

With the flowing mane of a young Bjorn Borg, Thomas distinguished himself in pursuit of athletic excellence. A franchise player for golf and the unofficial captain of the badminton team, he sets an example in how to compete and persevere, lessons that served him well for surviving HL Physics.Thomas has accepted an offer to attend the prestigious University of Waterloo in the program of geological engineering, and he will remember - fondly - school trips to Japan and Jordan.

Gr. 10 - 12

Sarah Hougen

Sarah, Queen of the North - Mother of Arctic Salmon - emerged from the Yukon River three years ago. Being a strong Northern girl of energy, charm and intelligence has served Sarah well: she's made many close friends and learned a love of history and biology, despite her perpetual struggle for dominance with Misters Zuk and Stanley. Next year, Sarah will attend Western University with her roommate Cam, where she will study social sciences.

Gr. 10 - 12

Yovella Hsu

Yovella's friends say she has the air of a red carpet celebrity, smiling for the cameras. Her peers also say that, contrary to the quiet image she sometimes projects, she really is a "firecracker with a saucy sense of humour." A favorite memory for Yovella? Cookies in the Dining Hall. Next year, Yovella will attend Northeastern University, where she will be studying Humanities. Watch out Boston: Yovella is fierce!

Gr. 9 - 12

Don Hwang

They say that "still waters run deep" and there are depths to this intelligent young man. Don is a history buff, whose personal project explored the strategies of ancient warriors. His peers say Don, aka "the Quiet Man" "the Don"" and "Don Juan," is a great friend. Upon graduation our mysterious Don will be heading across the pond to study Social Sciences at the University of British Columbia.

Gr. 11 - 12

Erin Hwang

Our quiet, studious candy-striper puts those she cares about first. Not only does she work hard in school, but also at friendships. Her friends say she is humorous, has just the right amount of eccentricity, and can bounce away from car accidents and concussions with grace and ease. Erin has loved her two years at GNS, and looks forward to studying Science at McGill University.

Gr. 11 - 12

Sabrina Jegede

"Sabrinski" thinks she has special powers because she doesn't eat vegetables. Our Nigerian princess runs on her own time and is the real deal. Her friends say she represents a level of cool beyond most of us, and certainly Mr. Stanley. This "princess of sass" will always remember a joyous bus-ride back from the Rugby Jamboree. Sabrina will commence her royal tour at Queen's University for a BA Honours in Political Studies.

Gr. 6 - 12

Simrin Kaloti

Did you know Simrin's legal contract requires her not to talk to Macklemore when she dances in his video? Simrin never, ever brags, so we were astonished to discover she had won multiple national awards and scholarships for her hip-hop abilities. Simi, our incredibly nice all-round Gryphon, will take her fond memories of field hockey and SAC and library therapy to UVIC next year for her Bachelor of Arts. Look out J-Lo, Simi is comin' to Hollywood!

Gr. K - 12

Shalini Khanna

As a lifer, Shalini has many happy memories of GNS...including a scar from a stab wound administered by her pal Chloe in the 6th grade. Her friends say she takes care of them all. This personable....., multi-talented debater..... athlete and singer - she played a great nun in Sound of Music - leaves us to study cognitive science at Mount Allison University. We will miss her vibrant life force.

Gr. 11 - 12

Kartik Khatri

His peers say Karteeeeek is very sociable - always smiling and waiting to take the next selfie. He's funny, they add, and he's smart. Really smart - as in HL Physics smart and an economics phenomenon. And, he has his pilot's license! Next year, Kartik will fly off to study computer science at the University of Toronto and continue to climb into the wild blue yonder.

Gr. 9 - 12

Jin Bi Kim

Jin Bi is a very unassuming and mild sort of person - but wait until she has annihilated your arguments in a debate. Her mind moves faster than the speed of light, as do her fingers on the flute. Gifted with both a high IQ and EQ, diploma candidate Jin Bi will be attending The University of Michigan Ann Harbour or Universities in Korea for political science; she will miss her time with Alice and Kathy in the math room NOT doing math.

Gr. K - 12

Vincent Klashinsky

Vincent Klashinsky is an ice cold supernova, baby! He's sharp of intellect, a creative marvel, and a compassionate mentor. He is a GNS Lifer and a brilliant writer and performer whose favourite memory of GNS was his first theatrical production Bye Bye Birdie. Vincent is off to Bishop's University next year for Classical Studies.

Gr. 10 - 12

Paulina Ko

Oh, she seems so quiet and unassuming... but Paulina always has a witty comment mumbled just under her breath, and friends say she is always willing to share her snacks! A quiet force within the grad class, Paulina joined us in Grade 10 and found her place with choir, cultural club...and as firm advocate of the academic benefits of bubble tea. She will miss her friends, but looks forward to life in Toronto.

Gr. K - 12

Spencer Lee

Nothing is more appealing to Spencer than a glass of milk whilst reclining in a beautiful bathrobe, but maybe that's because he is a whirling dervish of smiling energy in academia, sports, SAC. Spencer's favorite memory? being a youngster at the Beach splashing in the waves. Spencer looks forward to studying Engineering at Queen's University, but he tells us he will deeply miss the simple moments with his many GNS friends!

Gr. 8 - 12

Evin Lin

Evin's friends look out for him. After Evin confessed to a Macdonald's visit before the sacred BADMINTON tournament, Thomas interrogated him: "What did you have?" Evin: "Large Milkshake". Thomas: "make better choices". Evidently, unwise beverage choices did not impede Evin's performance as a superstar on our championship badminton team. He is also one of the few brave souls to undertake a bilingual IB Diploma. Evin is bound to be a hit in the sciences department at the University of Waterloo.

Gr. 4 - 12

Ilse Loomer-Scott

In her own composed, quiet, and good-natured way, Ilse "Blueberry Loomerbean" is a bold individualist who is not afraid to be herself and who embraces every opportunity that comes her way, whether it be in sports, the arts, service, debate or the outdoors. She is an adventurer - recording her own songs and crashing through the waves in The Broken Islands. We wish her everything good in life as she heads off to Queen's University for international relations and languages.

Gr. K - 7, 9-12

Kathlyn MacMillan-Denhoff

Kathlyn is a brave soul. Ms Doerkson relates how she was completely unable to raise her arm after a riding accident, but continued to play volleyball, basketball, and soccer - all activities, by the way, that require the use of her arm! All our teams and her many friends will miss Kathlyn next year as she leaves GNS to study political science at UVIC. We salute "Kathlyn: Queen of the Amazons" - not just a nickname!

Gr. K - 12

Nicholas Mamic

With a tip of his feathered chapeau, Nick breezily balances the acquisition of his IB diploma with playtime on the Pemberton Park swing set with his many friends. An individualist, Spencer says he has a unique perspective on the world. A volunteer, and a percussionist, Nick also enjoyed bountiful gains in lifting club. At Queen's University next year, Nick hopes to be king of neuroscience, and we know he will wear his crown lightly.

Gr. 6 - 12

Ellice Maxwell

Ellice: paradoxically known both as " Ellice the Peacemaker" and "The Terror of the Parking lot". Favorite memories include artistic pursuits, the positivity project, book club, and tennis games. Ellice is off to the University of Victoria next year to become a history teacher and play soccer, of course, and we know she will arrive in her future classes much as she has every day - with a dazzling smile.

Gr. 4 - 12

Aiden McCallum

Aidan's charm and people skills made him a topnotch Prefect Ambassador this year - in fact, he has been approached by Dental Digest Monthly because of his winning smile - as you can well see . A leader who galvanizes his peers out of their apathy, this scholar and athlete is an accomplished oarsman, and ran 95 yards for the winning try in the Provincial Rugby Championships. Next year, Aidan will attend Queen's University to study science with the ultimate goal of becoming ... a dentist.

Gr. 10 - 12

Christopher McCulloch

Chris: a shy fellow who flies beneath the radar, but also adventurous, big-hearted, determined. Winner of the city all star and most valuable player award, he operates with blinding speed on the basketball court and can execute a Klay Thompson-like Finish. He proudly remembers the final game when his team became the first one in GNS history to make 'AA' Island Championships. Chris plans to attend Queen's University next year.

Gr. 5 - 12

Talia Mitchell-Getzlaf

On one occasion when Talia was late, she signed in with this excuse: "Rogue oak bay deer blocked road." Comical "T-Mitch" is her own person and just as competitive academically as she is on her many sports teams.Talia credits her awesome family for their help through the years; her mom describes her as "the best kid in the world"...sorry, Tess and Noah. Next year Talia will attend Ryerson with BFF Stuart to study business and marketing.

Gr. 1 - 12

Katherine Moran

Fittingly, Kate was not able to be at Closing because of her music commitments. Follow the sound of mesmerizing melodies and the soulful semitones of the viola, and you'll find Kate, our musical prodigy, and GNS lifer. She has won a coveted place to study and play music at the Peabody Conservatory at John Hopkins University in Baltimore. Next up...Carnegie Hall?

Gr. 9 - 12

Duncan Morrical

A classicist in the style of Milton and Pope, Duncan once responded to a short Lit 12 assignment by producing a 10-page mock epic in perfect iambic pentameter. A scholar with a true passion for service, Duncan has 567 service hours! 567! And he knows everything; we aren't exaggerating. Duncan also has a life beyond GNS, carving figures on the ice when he isn't climbing. With an interest in both Marine Engineering and Naval Architecture, Duncan will head east to attend Memorial University.

Gr. 10 - 12

Pissini Aim Musikachote

Mr. Lidstone says that Aim is a "bipedal package of sunshine". She integrated quickly at GNS because of her open and friendly personality, and there are three things she has really valued: the chance to play on a girls' rugby team - something she could never have done in Thailand; participation in the Round Square Conference of the Americas, and the opportunity to complete her IB Diploma. Next year Aim will attend university in Japan to study business.

Gr. 11 - 12

Francesco Navarro Roby

Feeling down? Find Francesco. No one can come away from a conversation with Francesco without a grin. Francesco has been there, done that - even the debate team...for a day! He has happy memories of Spanish class, pugs in physics, and yoga in math. Next year he will be taking his live comedy on the road to Spain, France, and Argentina on a gap year before studying international relations at Northeastern University in Boston.

Gr. K - 12

Jesse O'Neill-Bains

With his dashing demeanour and original wit, Jessie is a busy boy and one of our national track and field stars. He carries this energy to school like a continual exothermic reaction, making his friends smile at his propensity for hyperbole. Once in class, Jesse became so excited by an idea that he fell out of his chair and suffered a concussion. Jesse aims to go to the University of Western Ontario for Social Sciences.

Gr. 6 - 12

Stuart Purdy

If you need a quip or a pun, Stuart is your man. Humour is his cornerstone. He takes it upon himself to enliven even the dullest lecture, applying his incredible vocabulary and depth of understanding to a running series of witty interjections.The embodiment of risk-taking, Stuart tried rugby (no pun intended) for the first time in Grade 12, where he distinguished himself as a fearless tackler, and a great teammate. As Stuart leaves us for a gap year, we wish him well.

Gr. K - 12

Jessica Rost

Jessie juggles her love for Shania Twain and her extensive regime of riding and training horses with her role as top academic. Lifer Jessie remembers life on the beach at the Beach, when she created little tide pool homes for lost crabs - no wonder she was a force in The Leap Club. Jessie is quiet and kind, but her knowledge of psychology should scare you; fittingly, Jessie will attend Simon Fraser University, where she will pursue a degree in Forensic Psychology.

Gr. 10 - 12

Sophia Sainsbury

When Sophia arrived three years ago, she seemed rather shy and circumspect. No. Gradually we came to discover and appreciate Sophia's creative and comical exuberance... and that she simply knows how to "BE". She is the guru of cozy blankets, cups of tea, on demand lunches from grandma, masternapper, and compassionate therapist to all...especially Stuart. Our talented Fine Arts Prefect will study drawing & painting at Queen's next year, and continue to model the fine art of living.

Gr. 11 - 12

Hazel Shields

Hazel must sleep in another time dimension, we think: with a reputation for stamina in studying and socializing, she finds time to volunteer and slam opponents in volleyball too. Her gentle demeanour belies an incisively analytical intellect and articulate wit: in debate, she is the Ying to Greg's Yang. She is a polymath who treats all subjects as one subject. After International Relations and Political Science at McGill next autumn, we know Hazel will move and shake the world.

Gr. K - 12

William Shorsky

Who can forget Will's first rugby game this year, when he scored a try dragging three opposing players in his wake. A man in motion, biking, surfing...and did you know he is also a provincial level water skier? And that he "bumps the freshest trap music", or so we're told? (Turn it off, Will.) Friendships crystallize around Will, and our relaxed learner has even revealed some scholarly tendencies. We will miss Will as he leaves for his gap year.

Gr. K - 12

Max Stewart

As a peer puts it, "maaan, he is Mr. sweet sensitivity, juxtaposed with fire"! Athlete and accomplished academic Max will remember rugby - he was voted most valuable player & leader - soccer, and life at The Beach. Our friendly Max leaves our Gryphon nest after 13 years of wearing blue and green, and will head to Vancouver to study social sciences at UBC, soar among the Thunderbirds...and find affordable housing.

Gr. 9 - 12

Matthew Sutherland

Matt is goofy, gluten-free, dairy-free, sleeps for 18.5 hours a day, and is one of the coolest, most laid back graduates in the Class of 2017. Nothing seems to bother this young man; indeed, "why sweat the small stuff?" seems to be his mantra. An accomplished athlete, "Mooky" was an important member of the Senior Boys Soccer Team since Grade 10, helping the team win two provincial championships. Next year, Matt will attend UVIC to study business.

Gr. 6 - 12

Dylan Thompson

"Diddlesticks," as his friends strangely call him, is notable for his "kind smile and caring nature"(to quote his Grade 6 teacher), but those who get to know the real Dylan also appreciate his saucy wit and surprisingly dark sense of humour. Genuinely delighted by the accomplishments of his many friends, Dylan has his own long list of achievements he could brag about...though this humble lad never would. A fine student and avid rower, Dylan will continue to lift up those around him as he pursues a Bachelor of Science at Queen's University.

Gr. 5 - 12

Danielle Thoms

Warm, authentic and hilarious Danielle is our warrior-leader in field hockey and rugby. Our SAC prefect speaks her mind and is not known to back down from debate. Danielle will be studying commerce at The University of Guelph, and will try out for their varsity field hockey team - appropriately called ... The Gryphons - where we know her magnetism and confidence will cast her again as a leader.

Gr. 11 - 12

Carolin Tietz

Carolin came to GNS for 1 year last year, loved it, and stayed. The thesaurus falls short in describing just how wonderful Carolin really is. Sie ist wirklich wunderbar! A well-rounded Diploma Candidate, Carolin will continue her studies of the world, its cultures, and its finances next year with International Management at the Frankfurt School of Finance and Management.

Gr. 6 - 12

Jennifer Utley

Mr. Zuk says that Jenny is worth six other students in his biology class. He refused to give specific names, but we do agree that Jenny is a wonder! A happy memory? Her Round Square trip to Columbia. An unhappy memory? Chemistry class, though she feels terrible about this and says it's her, not the class! After a summer in Quebec on work exchange, our rower, life-guard, world traveller and all-round lovely person Jenny will attend UVic with the long term goal of becoming a midwife.

Gr. 10 - 12

Nghi Vu

Nghi came to GNS for 1 year and stayed for 3. Don't let this demure diva's bashfulness and voice of an angel fool you - she has a devilish wit and she drives her friends crazy. Some of Nghi's favourite experiences at GNS have been the Round Square trip to California, living with her amazing homestay family, and singing with her sisters' in the Sound of Music. Next year Nghi will study management at the University of Toronto.

Gr. 11 - 12

Gogo Wen

Whenever Gogo's hand goes up, she says she has 3 points to make but they spiral into 12 – her ideas never end, and she has a truly complex and global perspective. Gogo was excited to join GNS for the Diploma Programme, and while she found it challenging, she now has a wonderful feeling of accomplishment. An amazing artist and a hard worker, next year Gogo "gogoes" to Glasgow to follow in her father's footsteps and study law.

Gr. K - 12

Jack Wild

Jack is the last and, of course, the best of the three 'Wild' boys, or so he claims. Engaging, warm, compassionate Jack is a gifted performer who lifts weights to the score of Hamilton. His favourite memory is playing Max Detweiller in The Sound of Music, and the camaraderie of the cast in all the productions he has appeared in from Grade 4 on. Next year Jack will study Chemistry at Bishop's University, and we hope he will visit us to pose his "hypothetical question of the day".

Gr. 6 - 12

Casey Woo

Kindly Casey the Wooster is famous for snuggling with his blankey and playing Beethoven quality piano, with, alas, only the mice as audience. Supposedly shy, he can perform most of the Lord of the Rings, including a particularly fine Gollum. He has a symbiotic relationship with Evin: Casey texts him to wake him up in the morning and Evin keeps Casey awake in English. Next year the engineering department at Uvic will experience the WOO factor.

Gr. 10 - 12

Alice Xiao

When asked for helpful advice in math, Alice "The Math Legend," Xiao responds, simply, "you feel it". She spent her year trying to find truth in TOK, but, alas, is still searching. Our cultural prefect Alice is already a brilliant published author, and would love to be a poet, but for now will settle for the Math and Philosophy Program at U of T, and perhaps there she will finally be able to find the true meaning of life.

Gr. 9 - 12

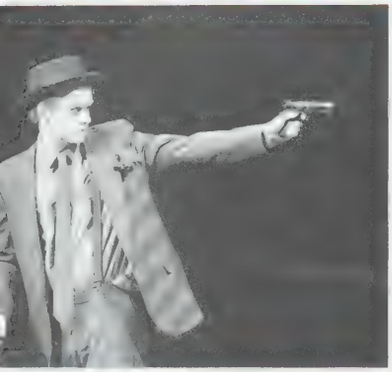
Kathy Huiyi Xu

Kathy is quiet and composed, but, inside, is a creative maelstrom of musical and artistic talent. Kathy is Good at everything, actually! A silver Edinburgh award winner, she says that participation in multiple sports, arts and clubs has opened her mind and given her confidence. Kathy enters the Rotman Commerce Program at U of T, but plans also to pursue her strong passion for the fine arts.

Gr. 8 - 12

Julie Haihan Yu

SAT prep, SEVEN IB courses, athletics, the arts, a dozen clubs - every Monday Diploma Candidate Jules would say she was quitting school, but by Friday she had all her accomplishments tucked under her arm. What a powerhouse - and so mature, but with such a disarming giggle. Julie leaves the curse of the GNS physics lab behind her as she departs to study Chemical Engineering, at UC Berkeley; they are lucky to get her.



Fall Term

Senior Boys Soccer

Senior Boys placed second in the ISAs and are the Island Champions! Working with Coach Sonny Pawar are: Pierce Colpman Rowan Damant, Lucas Darke, Long Do, Julian Dosanjh, Hunter Hernandez-Morrison, Lewis Hinton, Thomas Horan, Spencer Lee, Suphakorn Lertruchtkul, Aidan McCallum, Francesco Navarro Roby, Kris Neilson, Dylan Samphire, Max Stewart, Matt Sutherland and Hamish Vaughan Wimmer.

Junior Boys Soccer

The team, coached by Lyle Eggen with supervision by Graeme Campbell, placed third at ISA's. Members included: Andrew Ahn, Matthew Alexander, Noah Ballinger, Iain Betts, Alec Boegman, Kevin Dang, Chris Graham, Alex Guildford, Thomas Healey, Dylan Hemphill, Alex Kong, Jacob McIntyre, Alex Muller-Clemm, Luke Rodrigues, Dexter Stoiber, Finnbar Sweeney, Reid Thompson, Andrew Venegas Bujaidar, Mauricio Villaneuva Garcia and Parker Dix.

CAIS U15 Girls Soccer

The team had a hard-fought loss to SMUS in the semi-final of the CAIS tournament. Coached by Ali Doerksen, the team was made up of students from grades 7 through 9:
Grade 7: Jillian Betts, Makena Lee and Ella Stanger
Grade 8: Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Londyn Denford, Tara Golonka, Katherine Hofer, Nya Owen, Elliott Smith and Hannah White.
Grade 9: Eliza Baines, Nicole Burnett, Ava Dryden, Camille Germain and Soleil Watterson.

Girls Field Hockey

Girls played on both the Development Team and the Competitive Team under coaches Andrew Jackson and Bunny Hughes. The Competitive Team placed 5th at the CAIS Invitational Tournament.
Grade 8: Brooke Taylor.
Grade 9: Erin Addison, Eliza Baines, Nicole Burnett, Annissa Granegger, Maddie Harris, Chloe Hill-Huse, Katie Hurst, Izzy Irvine, Megan Vroom, Sienna Yaremchuk.
Grade 10: Fallyn Denford, Ale di Frassineto, Sydney Hemphill, Nancy Huang, Christine Kim, Annie McLeod, Julia Newcombe, Lynden Taylor, Maria Jose Vega Davila, Rebecca Vesey, Phyllis Weinheimer, Emma Zarzour.
Grade 11: Guilia Baseggio, Madeline Berry, Anna Ciceri, Caitlin Forster-Coull, Tracy Huynh, Prudence Johnson-Hill, Niki Marriott, Stella McCaig, Marissa Young.
Grade 12: Caitlin Ciceri, Emily Forster-Coull, Chloe Freeman, Cameron Hahn, Simrin Kaloti, Talia Mitchell, Danielle Thoms.

Junior Girls Volleyball

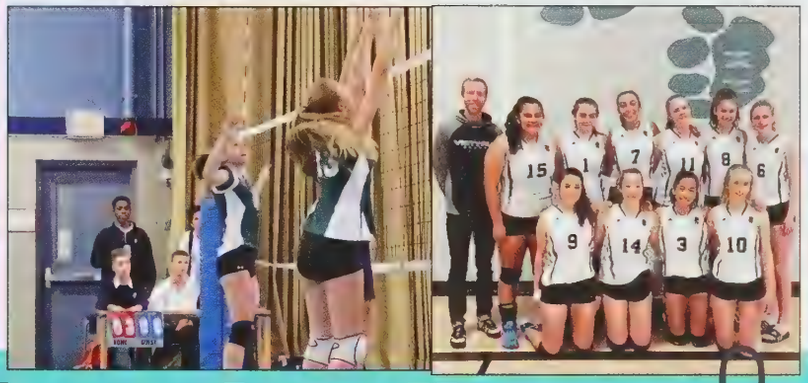
The team earned a silver medal at the ISAA Tournament at Meadowridge.
Coaches: Tim Stubbs and Saskia Bjornson
Teacher Sponsor: Calvin Dorion
Grade 8: Ava Dryden, Yuka Lu, Sophie van Cuylenborg and Sarah Zarzour.
Senior School: Lisa Choi, Dana Escalante, Nancy Huang, Kate McIntyre, Clara Meyer, Saffron Sobkin, Megan Vroom, Soleil Watterson and Sienna Yaremchuk.

Cross Country

The team trained at GNS and Beaver Lake and were coached by Paul O'Callaghan. Members included Thomas Armenta, Bronte Denford, Liam Hoogewerf and Krystyna Klimczuk-Massion. The school did not field a team for league meets.

Climbing

Climbing at the renovated Crag X took place on Tuesdays or Thursdays for 8 sessions at a time after passing a belay test with Rick Lidstone. Fall Term climbers included Erin Addison, Matthew Alexander, Thomas Allan, Anastasia Castro, Fallyn Denford, Anna Harama-Bedard, Alex Kong, Camden Leith, Ilse Loomer-Scott, Rodrigo Lozano, Niki Marriott, Duncan Morrical, Jamaica Ngo, Callum Robertson, Nolan Smith, Ronen Somogyi, Sofie Finn Storan, Jasmyne Storm, Pim Sunthomongkholkit, Bjorn Svorkdal, Ian Tam, Takahiro Tanaka, Carolin Tietz and Soleil Watterson.



Senior Girls Volleyball

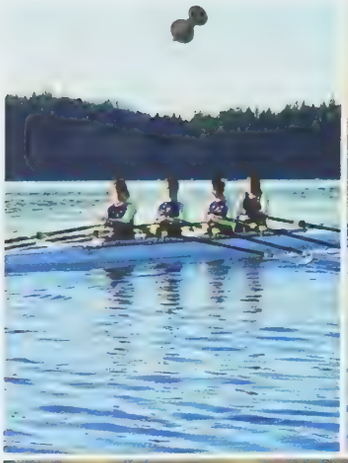
The team made it to the AA Island Championships!
Coaches: Carolyn MacDonald and Brent Hall
Teacher Sponsor: Calvin Dorion
Team Members: Corinna Darcie, Andrea DeMeo, Jane Glowicki, Shalini Khanna, Chloe Korol-Filbey, Renee Rathwell, Chelsea Roberts, Hazel Shields, and Angeline Silman.

Grade 9s Michaela Vandenham and Nicole Fast travelled to Richmond in October to compete in the ISA Swimming Championships. Michaela dropped 3 seconds from her seed time in the 100m breast stroke. Nicole placed 4th in the 50m freestyle, 5th in the 100m backstroke and 6th in the 100m freestyle!

Nicole travelled to Kamloops to complete in the BC High School Swimming Championships in late November. She won gold medals in the 50m freestyle, the 50 m backstroke and the 100m freestyle as well as setting a personal best in the 50m backstroke!

Swim Team

On November 6th, the Swim Team competed at the Vancouver Island Zone Championships, placing 10th with a total of 33 points for this tiny team! Members were: Nicole Fast, Katie Hurst, Eliza Baines Annissa Granegger, Michaela Vandenham and Megan Vroom.

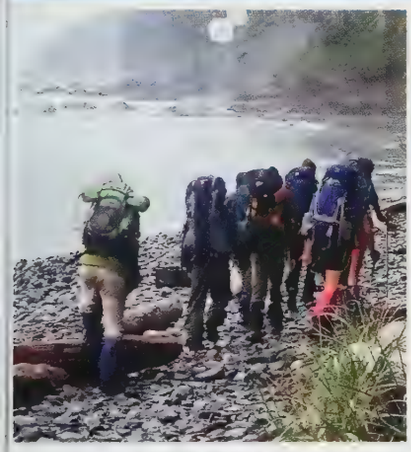


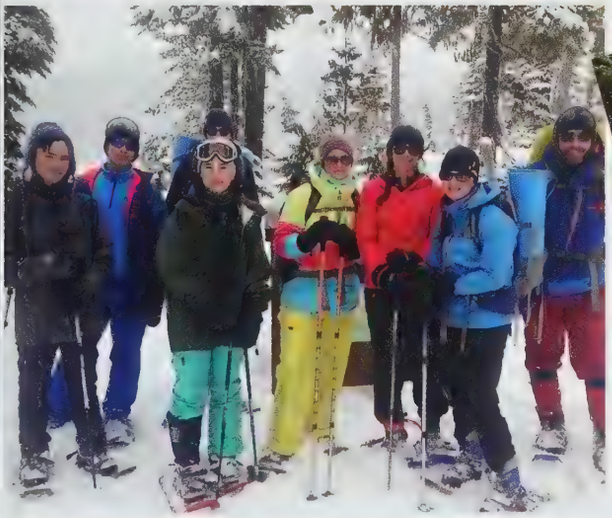
Coach: Rene Gonin, **Teacher Sponsor**: Duncan Brice
Captain: Chloe Freeman
Junior Novice Women: Katherina Aupperle, Lily Davies, Luciana Gonzalez, Sally Jones, Ismay Macklin, Lena Nyhuis, Zofka Svec, Maia Vasko, Sophia Vasko.
Senior Novice Women: Camila Estrada, Risa Ishiguro, Jennifer Utley, Claudia Zepeda Loyola.
Junior Novice Men: Matthew Alexander, Connor Barcley, Nolan Dempsey, Jack DesBrisay, Wesley Lloyd-Kruger, Rowan Morahan, Leo Prosalendis, Callum Robertson, John Windle, Ronen Somogyi.
Junior Women: Rachel Diment.
Senior Women: Chloe Freeman, Andrea Herrmann, Ilse Loomer-Scott.
Junior Boys: Jakob Svorkdal, Liam Turner.
Senior Men: Dylan Thompson

Rowing

Outdoor Education

During the fall term, students from Grade 9-12 went on trips as a part of their Outdoor Education class or option for P&HE. Sept 30th to Oct 2nd, Grade 10 & 11s participated in an outdoor service trip to Kludadhk Trail: Annie McLeod, Julia Newcombe, Kaya Oro Martin, Claudia Zepeda Loyola, Camden Leith, Isabella Szwender, Janet Ma, Thomas Allan and Yok Chaithanayot . October 21-23rd, Grade 11s participated in an outdoor service paddle trip to Discovery Island: Katharina Aupperle, Takahiro Tanaka, Bjorn Svorkdal, Jasmyne Storm, Niki Marriott, Madeleine DesBrisay, Andrea Egan, Anna Ciceri, Ian Tam, Millar Smith, Jeffery Ko, Cameron Wallace, and Suphakorn Lertruchkul. Grade 9s participated in hiking trips to Juan de Fuca: Soleil Watterson, Katie Hurst, Lily Davies, Chloe Hill-Huse, Sienna Yaremchuk, Dana Escalante, Sally Jones, Camille Germain, Callum Robertson, Rodrigo Lozano, Polina Vitrouk, Luciance Gonzalez, Saffron Sobkin, Clara Mayer, Anastasia Castro, Jackson Miller, Ismay Macklin, Josh Bowder, Matthew Alexander, Sebastien White, Eliza Baines, Megan Vroom, Ronen Somogyi and Jakob Svorkdal. From Oct 28-30, Grade 12s headed off to surf and kayak in Tofino: Ilse Loomer-Scott, Camilla Estrada, Chloe Freeman, Max Stewart, Eleana Block, Sylvie Galloway, Spencer Lee, Greg Adams, Danielle Thoms and Emily Forster-Coull.



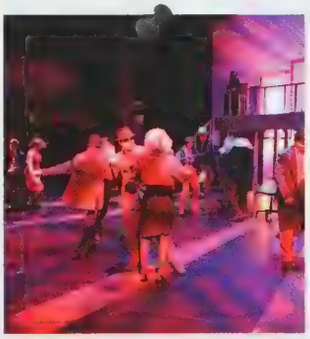


Cultural Club

The Cultural Club experienced many different cultures with their International Restaurant dinners. As well, they hosted a food and culture fair in September where approximately 20 students from ten different countries gathered in the GNS Hall to share their cultures with the school community. From Monday to Thursday at lunch, music, language, pictures, and food from all around the world were displayed. Many students took part in planning the activities as well as going our as a group for the meals.

Tech Team

The students who were part of the tech team this year included: Nicole Fast, Callum Robertson, Luke Rodrigues, Carson Rust, Ivan Shumski, Olivia Stupak, Maria Jose Vega Davila, Liam Turner, Andrea DeMeo, Jamaica Ngo, Millar Smith, Angus Fraser-Brown, Drew Jackson, and Yovella Hsu. They helped the school with lighting and sound in assemblies, the drama productions and special events throughout the term.



Zombie Tag

Students from 9-12 were invited to a zombie tag activity. They had to work together in order to find supplies, keep each other alive and ensure the continuation of the human race. This activity was organized by Jouelle Brick and Clint Lundgren for students in Theory of Knowledge 11 and IB Geography 12. The activity followed a lecture by parasitologist and entomologist Brent Thomas who spoke to the students about tropical diseases.

Jazz Night

On Monday, October 24, the GNS Jazz Orchestra presented the music of the Glenn Miller Orchestra at Hermann's Jazz Club in downtown Victoria. This activity allowed students to study Jazz History through delving into the original arrangements. They were joined by the Don Leppard Big Band, who also presented a set of Miller's music as well as that of other stars of the Big Band Era.

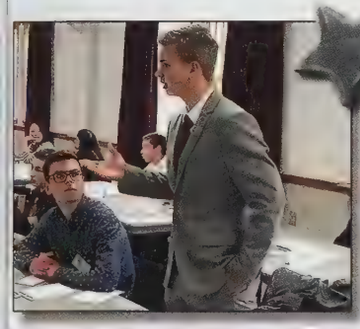
Halloween Dance

The Student Activity Council organized a Halloween Dance. Members include: Sam Bohlken-Hern, Caitlin Ciceri, Lucas Darke, James Duncan, Caitlin Forster-Coull, Emily Forster-Coull, Christopher Graham, Hunter Hernandez-Morrison, Simrin Kaloti, Spencer Lee, Talia Mitchell, Kate Moran, Sophia Sainsbury, Max Stewart, Jimmy Tang, Dylan Thompson, Danielle Thoms, and Amy Zhao. Also, a Halloween Photo Booth was available during the dance, put on by the Photography Club. Members include: Ava Acomba, Thomas Armenta, Katharina Aupperle, Giulia Baseggio, Madeline Berry, Melody Cheng, Manon Damant, Bronte Denford, Alessandra di Frassineto, Camila Estrada, Gaby Girard, Annissa Granegger, Sydney Hemphill, Emma Hofer, Kin Jiengphattanakit, Natasha Lloyd-Kruger, Ismay Macklin, Bree McElvaine, Annie McLeod, Francesco Navarro Roby, Dex Owen, Eli Ramraj, Callum Robertson, Nolan Smith, Jessica Soule, Paige Thompson, Rebecca Vesey, Gabriel White, Kathy Xu, Sienna Yaremchuk, and Lucy Zhang.

Photography Club

Debate & Public Speaking

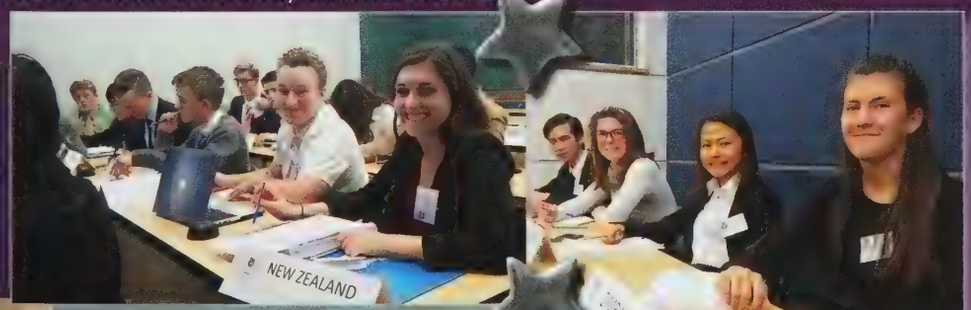
The debate team started the season with a retreat from September 30 to October 2 at Camp Thunderbird. At the University of Victoria's Annual Fall Open Training and Qualification Debate Tournament on October 14th, Sofie Finn Storan was the only Senior School participant. She was part of a "swing team' and was placed in the Top 5 overall although as a swing member she could not qualify for medals. Debate Team members include: **Grade 9:** Charlotte Brady, Melody Cheng, Nolan Dempsey, Sofie Finn Storan, Scott McCollum, Zofka Svec and Amy Zhao. **Grade 10:** Angelina Huang, Robin Meng, Henry Morrison, Eli Ramraj, Nolan Smith, Olivia Stupak and Albert Yang. **Grade 11:** Andrea DeMeo, Ben Djukastein, Natasha Lloyd-Kruger, Millar Smith, Krystyna Klimczuk-Massion, Kris Neilson, Angus Silver and Marissa Young. **Grade 12:** Chloe Freeman, Ilse Loomer-Scott, Duncan Morrical, Shalini Khanna, Jin Bi Kim, Hazel Shields, Sabrina Jegede and Jack Wild. **Coaches:** Elspeth Easton and Jamie Thornton



From October 26-31, Kris Neilson attended a national public speaking seminar in Cornwallis, Nova Scotia, where he participated in workshops, a competitive model parliament and a debate tournament. Kris placed in the top five for the event, second in British Columbia. In late October, Cameron Wallace, Marissa Young and Angus Silver competed at the International Independent Schools' Public Speaking Competition at Collingwood School in Vancouver. Angus Silver made it to the finals for after-dinner speaking and dramatic interpretation.

Model United Nations

Students from Grade 9-12 were involved in Model United Nation and attended a Conference at the University Of Victoria. The main topics of the conference were protecting the human rights of indigenous people and securing the rights of persons with disabilities. The team members included: Greg Adams, Matthew Alexander, Hannah Block, Amelia Brown, Jessye Calvert, Stuart Cameron, Clare Chan, Anna Ciceri, Nicole Fast, Madeline DesBrisay, Andrea Egan, Siobhan Golonka, Sarah Hougen, Prudence Johnson Hill, Sally Jones, Natasha Lloyd-Kruger, Michael Norris, Leo Prosalendis, Hazel Shields, Ronen Somogyi, Jacob Svorkdal, Polina Vitrouk Phyllis Weinheimer, and Lucy Zhang, Alumna Megan Thompson '16 was one of the University students involved.

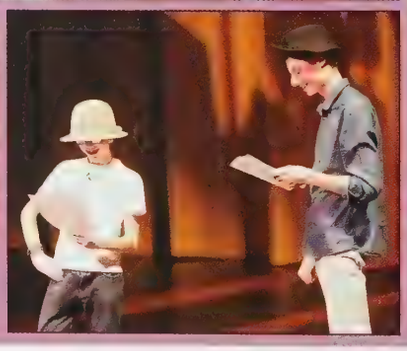


With the Round Square Exchange program, Samantha Patrick's exchange partner from Ivanhoe Grammar School (IGS) joined GNS from November 16th to December 19th. Sam heads to Australia in the Spring Term.

RS Exchange

Round Square Talent Show

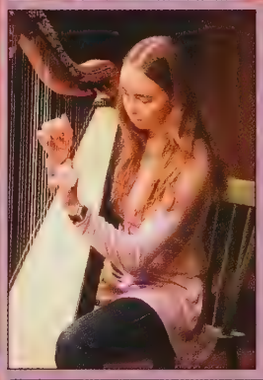
On November 30th, the SS Round Square hosted their annual talent show to raise money for the Queen Alexandria Foundation and the Prince Alexander Project Fund. This year's talent show featured various acts of singers, dancers, actors, musicians, and magicians who helped raise $961.



Remembrance Day

Our assembly commemorated veterans and active service members, with guests **David Dallin** (Lieutenant Commander - Royal Canadian Navy), **Josephine Kane**(Auxiliary Territorial Services - WWII), **Paddy Langran** (Commander - Royal Navy - WWII), **Kenneth Robertson** (Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry - Korean War), **James Sprang** (Commander Coastal Division - Canadian Fleet Pacific), **Liza Sprang** (Lieutenant - Royal Canadian Navy), and **Frank Vandenham** (Master Seaman - Royal Canadian Navy).

Halloween



Gr. 9 French Revolution

Round Square International Conference

This year's RSIC took place in Germany with a pre-conference in Zurich and conference in Louisenland. GNS sent a delegation of five students including; Bree McElvaine, Gaby Girard, Nolan Smith, Angelina Huang, and Christine Kim, accompanied by Mme. Harris. The delegation completed two days of hiking in the Swiss Alps, staying overnight in an alpine hut, as a pre-conference activity hosted by Schule Schloss Salem. The conference theme was "The journey that makes us great."

Grade 9 Science Fair

Top Students in each category:
Biology:
Jack DesBrisay, Sofie Finn Storan, Izzy Irvine
Chemistry:
Leo Prosalendis, Melody Cheng, Luciana Gonzalez Aguirre
Environment:
Anastasia Castro, Zofka Svec, Dana Escalante Neva
Physics:
Nolan Dempsey, Josh Bowder, Jakob Svorkdal

Congratulations to Anastasia Castro and Zofka Svec who were presented with the inaugural Kuehne Science Fair Award. This cash prize, sponsored by the Kuehne Family, was awarded to them for receiving the top marks at the School Science Fair.
The top three students in each category advance to the Regional Science Fair competition.

Out of the Rain

The students in this course have long been involved in meal preparation for this organization from October till April.

This year in September, they were joined by 5 students from UVic, including alumni Victoria Martens, Tai Orser and Hideaki Tanaka, who are enrolled in a first year Health and Wellness course that includes an outreach component. The group baked squares, muffins and cookies for the shelter.

Social Justice 12

Trips for Fun?

Elspeth Horn and Lucho Davidov took a group of students to explore Pender Island and play disc golf for a day in late September.

Lucho Davidov and Lisa Drury took a group of students to Vancouver in late October to attend a Whitecaps game.

Elspeth Horn and Leonard Butt took 20 students to Goldstream Park to watch the salmon run in November

Grade 9 students also took a trip to Goldstream Park in late November to see the salmon run and learn about the forest ecosystem. The trip tied into a unit on chemistry and gave students an introduction to nutrient cycles.

Chemistry 12

Students recorded the change in temperature of the water heated by burning cheetos in order to calculate the amount of energy, or calories, contained in the treats.

Flaming Hot Cheetos

Chem 12 & the JKs

teamed up to make cookies and learn about chemistry. After mixing up the cookies, they headed to the lab where Dr. Topic demonstrated the power of static electricity, showed that popping a balloon isn't always as easy as it seems, and then made Elephant toothpaste. Following the demonstration, they returned to sample their cookies!

Head Shave

In mid October, a group of students either shaved their head or cut off a length of their long hair. Shedding their luscious locks were Renee Rathwell and Michelle Lee. Shaving their head were: Chris Graham, Lewis Hinton, Spencer Lee, Camden Leith, Nicholas Mamic, Max Stewart, and Hamish Vaughan-Wimmer.

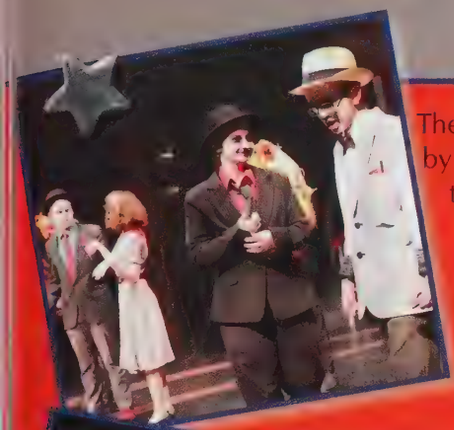
Bard on the Beach

September 9 & 10

Fifty English and Theatre students travelled to Vancouver to see two performances at an annual Shakespeare Festival. On Friday, the Drama and IB Theatre students left early to learn about devising and projection-for-theatre in a workshop with the renowned Electric Company. After meeting up with the other students, the attended *The Merry Wives of Windsor*. On Saturday, all students spent three hours work-shopping *Othello* under the tutelage of members of the Canadian Fight Directors Association. Special thanks to chaperones

The Resistible
Rise of Arturo Ui

Story and Production



The Resistible Rise of Arturo Ui is an anti-Nazi play written in 1941 by German Playwright Bertolt Brecht. Set in gritty 1930s Chicago, the play follows the rise of a fictional mobster, modelled after Al Capone and Adolf Hitler.

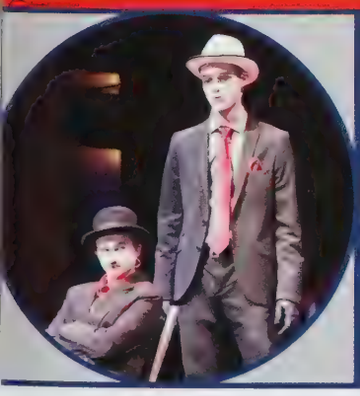
Production Team: Director - Adrienne Smook, Set Design - Carole Klemm, Sound Design - Carson Rust, Lighting Design - Rebekah Johnson, Promotional Materials - Sonya Chwyl , Choreographer - Jamie Elbert, Set Builder - Danny Costion, Front of House Management - Cheryl Tradewell, Calvin Dorion, Patty Wells, & Elspeth Horn, Scenic Painters - Art 12 Students, Carole Klemm, Nolan Smith, Eli Ramraj, Carson Rust, & Gaby Girard, Lobby Design & Setup Art Club & Cindy Ackland, Lobby Music - Mark Barr, Paige Thompson & Steve Thompson

Cast

Eli Ramraj (Barker/Actor), Jack Wild (Flake), Natasha Lloyd-Kruger (Butcher), Gaby Girard (Clark), Nolan Smith (Mulberry/Ignatius Dullfleet), Lily Davies (Sheet/Doctor), Leo Livora (Dogsnorough), Daniel Yvorchuk (Roma), Vincent Klashinsky (Ui), Thomas Armenta (Mr. Fish), Scott McCollom (Inna), Amelia Brown (Ragg), Tori Windle (Dockdaisy), Jessica Soule (Giri), Adrienne Descamps (Bowl/Woman), Charlotte Brady (O'Casey), Angus Silver (Givola), Emma Zarzour (Trader 1/ Cohen), Deandra Livora (Trader 2), Nghi Vu (Jimbo/Priest), Olivia Stupak (Judge), Fallyn Denford (Prosecutor), Prudence Johnson-Hill (Defence), Marissa Smithson (Betty Dullfleet).

Student Production Team

Stage Management - Millar Smith, Backstage Management - Liam Turner, Sound Mixing - Carson Rust, Lighting Operator - Andrea DeMeo, Sound/Projection Operator - Drew Jackson, Follow Spot Operators - Jamaica Ngo, Luke Roderigues, Maria Davila.



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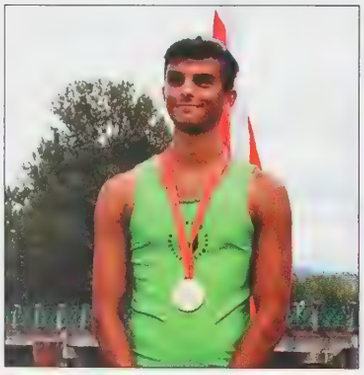
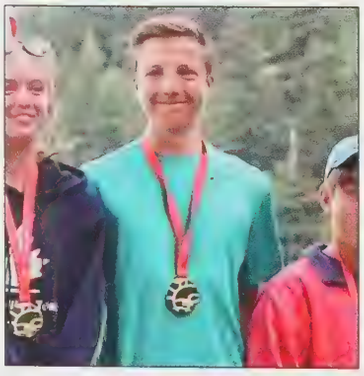
Sports

Individuals

In late July, more than 3200 athletes, coaches and officials attended the 2016 BC Summer Games in Abbotsford. Among the throng of participants were Lucas Hoelscher (Rowing) and Cameron Wallace (Sailing). Lucas won a Gold Medal in the M1X 1000M Time Trial and a Bronze Medal in the M1X Skills Competition. Cameron Wallace won a Gold Medal in the Boys/Girls 420.

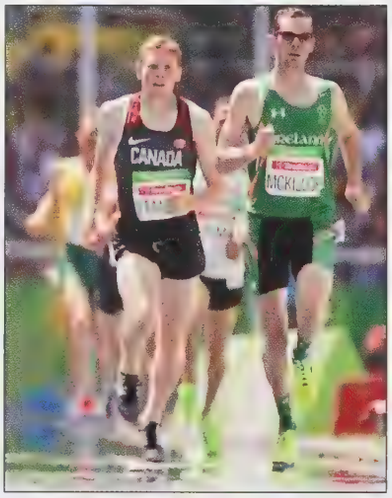




Sports

Alumni

Congratulations to Liam Stanley '16 on winning the Silver Medal at the Paralympic Games in Rio de Janeiro in the men's T37 1500m race! This was Liam's first-ever international event as a runner although he has been on Canada's para-soccer team since he was 14.



Clubs

Positivity Project

The group had a bright start to the year decorating the dining hall, creating the positive chalk-walk, sharing Halloween sweets and riddles, and organizing their first cookie-monster of the year. The group members were: Chloe Freeman Jesse O'Neill-Bains, Ellice Maxwell, Kirsten Dupuy, Sam Bohlken-Hern, Spencer lee, Jimmy Tang, Nicholas Mamic, Sabrina Jegede, Erin Huang, Carolin Tietz, Corinna Darcie, Prudenc Johnson-Hill and James Duncan.

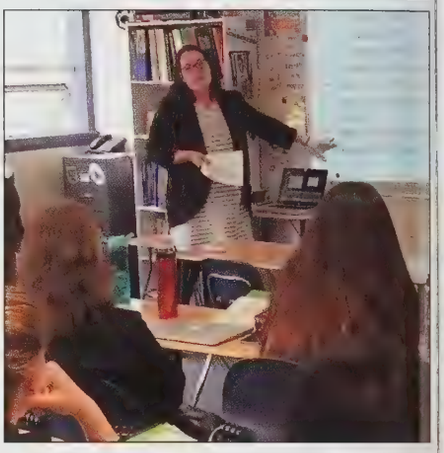
Sports

Alumni

Congratulations to Eloi Batista '16 who won the men's Omnium and Individual Pursuit at the BC Track Championships held at the Burnaby Velodrom August 26 & 27.

Academics

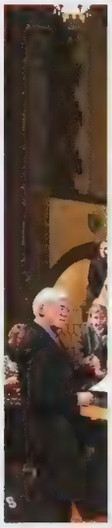
IB Economics 12

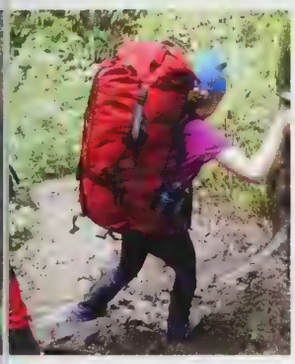


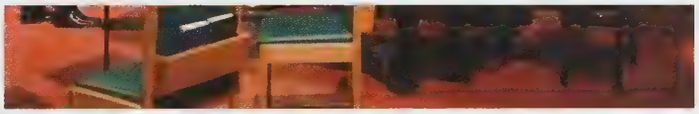
Daphna Mills, a kinder-garten parent, discussed selected measures of poverty in Canada, referring to the Ontario Material Deprivation Index.

Headstart

A week before school started, new and experienced international students gathered for a week of getting acquainted with their new home away from home!







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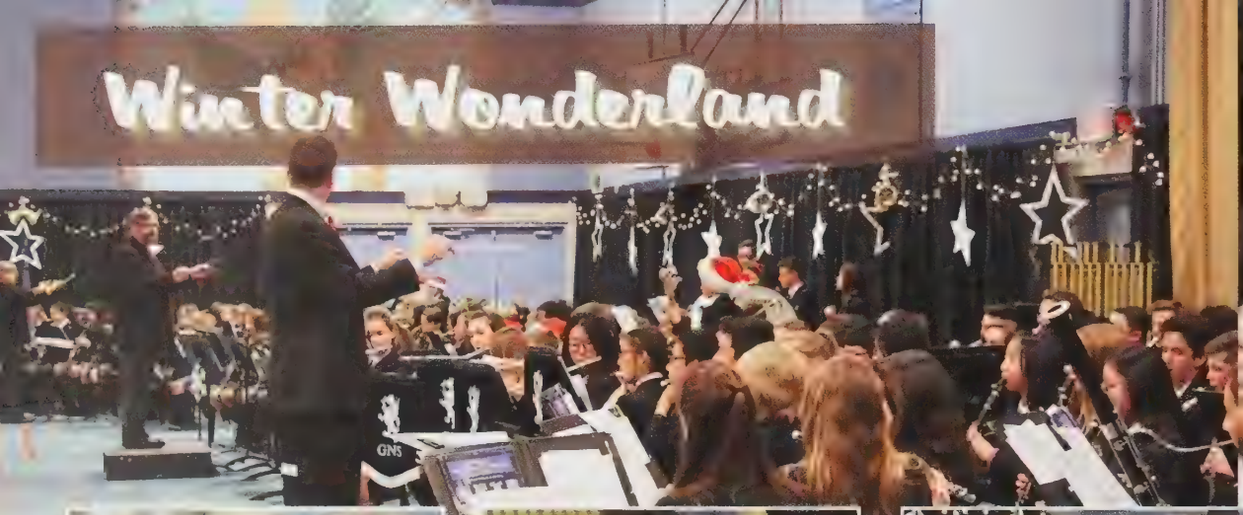
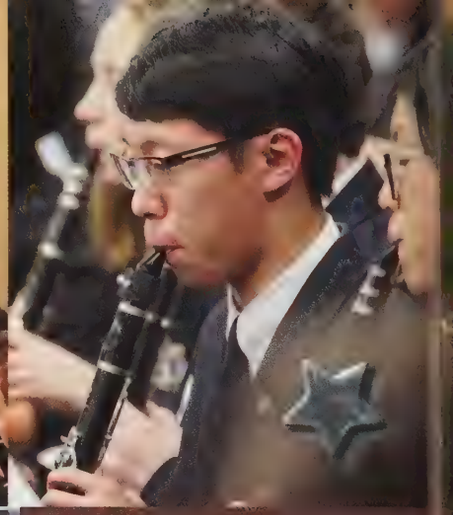
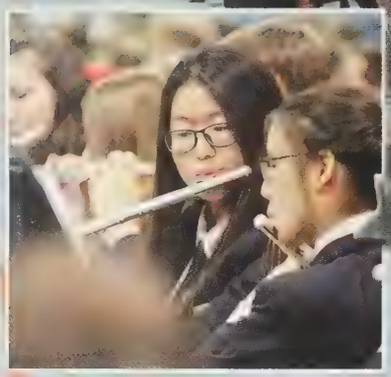
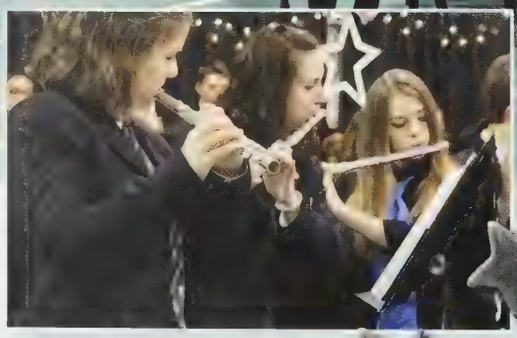
Winter Wonderland

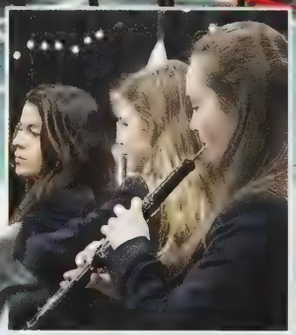




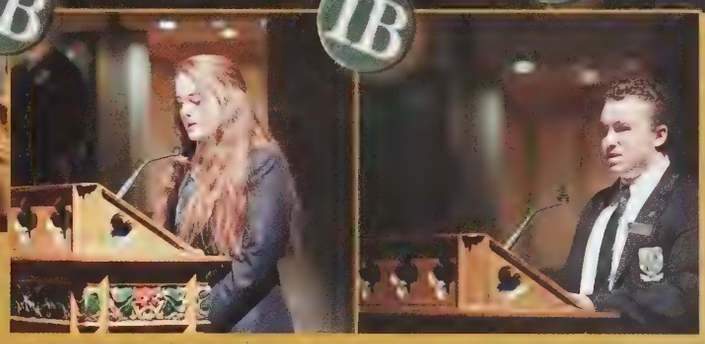


All the students combined for a massed band rendition of Jingle Bells to start the concert. Senior Concert Band played A Celtic Christmas, Sleigh Ride, The Polar Express, and A Christmas Festival. They were conducted by David Marttinen and Steve Thompson. The Jazz Orchestra, Conducted by Steve Thompson, played Silver Bells, I'll Be Home for Christmas, and All I want for Christmas is You. Soloists were Mark Bar on trumpet, Harry Zhang on alto sax, Seb White on alto sax, Siobhan Golonka on tenor sax and Michael Norris on trombone.





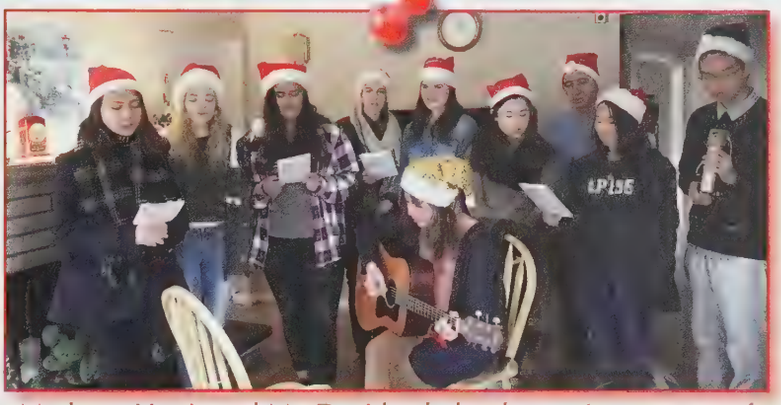
Carol Service



The Service of Nine Lessons and Carols included mass choir numbers as well as pieces by individual choirs and the saxophone quartet. The Senior groups were conducted by Dr. Marvin Regier.

On Wednesday, December 21st, students participated in the Extreme Outreach stocking preparation by bringing in socks filled with gifts, warm clothes, toiletries, treats and more. Following collection, students worked together with Extreme Outreach Society/SuperKids to deliver to many organizations, including the Kiwanis Youth Shelter, supported housing centres, and Rock Bay Landing. At Our Place, the Gryphons were able to deliver the stockings directly to people who needed them. On the previous Wednesday, the 17th, students donned santa hats and reindeer antlers and pitched in to serve lunch to families. This year a record 484 full stockings and $1465 was collected.

Holiday Activities



Madame Harris and Mr. Davidov helped organize a group of Christmas carolers who visited two of the homes run by the Independent Living Housing Society.

On the last Friday before Winter Break, a crowd of students gathered to perform their own original slam poetry in more than six languages. Vincent was the emcee and encouraged students to get loud and show their appreciation for the poets and (in true slam tradition) their disdain for the judges, who had fun scoring the competitors using rather unconventional methods–Fallon gave poets colours (and later, celebrities), Noah assigned animals to their performances and Carson judged them using food items. Poems were serious, sad, silly and everything in between, with topics ranging from Christmas cheer to the horrors of homework.

Concert Band Camp

On Tuesday, February 7th, students participated in sections and then a rehearsal with a guest conductor. After a pizza dinner, they headed to Save-On-Foods Memorial Centre to perform O Canada and The Star Spangled Banner for the Victoria Royals vs Seattle Thunderbirds hockey game.

Positivity Project

A positively pink mural was created by the Positivity Club in support of Pink Shirt Day

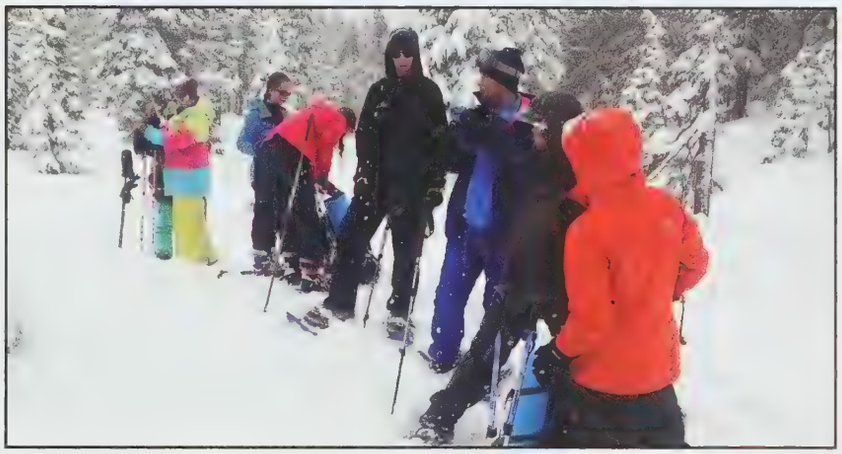
Vancouver Model UN

VMUN is the largest high school student-organized Model United Nations conference in North America with over 1200 student delegates. Senior students joined more advanced, specialized groups, while younger students mostly joined general assemblies. The conference lasts almost all day with breaks between each two-hour session. In addition, delegates have to deal with a midnight crisis on the last night, where they are awoken in the middle of the night to deal with the aftermath of a surprise emergency.

Students attending:
Melody Cheng
Stuart Cameron
Ronan Somogyi
Jakob Svorkdal
Matthew Alexander
Siobhan Golonka
Christine Kim
Lucy Zhang
Greg Adams
Hazel Shields
Anna Ciceri
Michael Norris

Monday Night Jazz

Outdoor Ed Trips

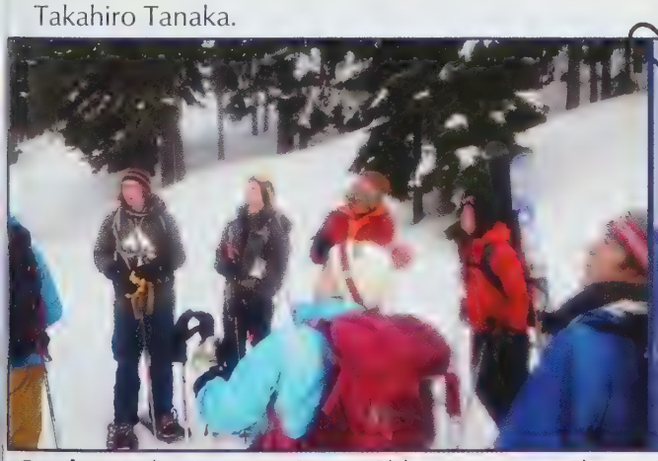


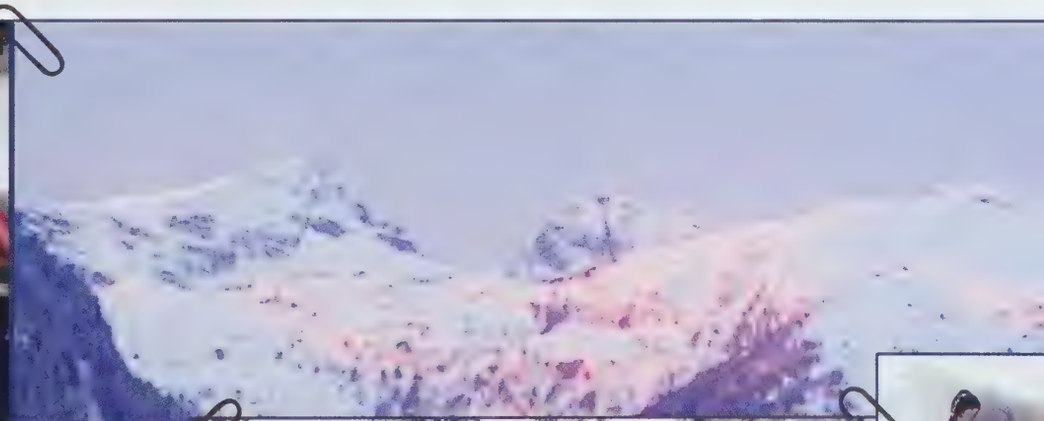
An assortment of winter trips were organized by Mully and AJ Jackson. Students were involved in winter camping and/or telemark skiing and/or avalanche training at Strathcona Park and Mount Washington.

Grade 9: John Windle, Camille Germain, Callum Robertson, Alec Boegman, Madeleine Harris, Sebastien White, Matthew Alexander, Luciana Gonzalez, Jake Samphire, Finley Armstrong, Eliza Baines, Melody Cheng, Chloe Hill-Huse, Ismay Macklin, Rodrigo Lozano.

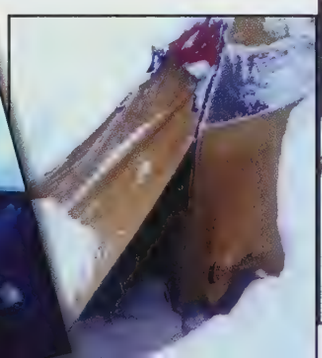
Grade 10: Iian Betts, Annie McLeod, Julia Newcombe, Kaya Oro Martin, Ethan Stanger, Katharina Aupperle, Cassidy Brumby, Siobhan Golonka, Thomas Healtey, Nolan Smith, Jasmine Lee, Lena Nyhuis, Noah Ballinger, Alex Wells.

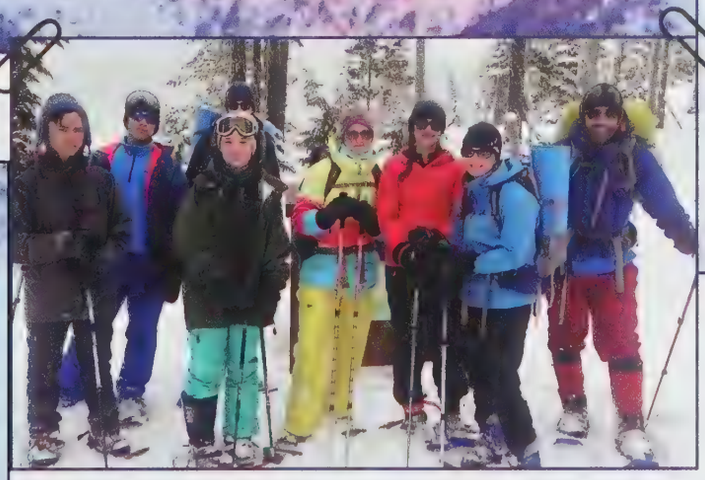
Grade 11: Marissa Young, Claudia Zepeda, Bjorn Svorkdal, Madeleine DesBrisay, Andrea Egan, Anna Ciceri, Ian Tam, Camden Leith, Millar Smith, Jeffery Ko, Jasmyne Storm, Phyllis Weinheimer, Suphakorn Lertruchtkul, Niki Marriott, Bella Szwender, Cam Wallace, Takahiro Tanaka.





Grade 12: Ilse Loomer-Scott, Chloe Freeman, Eleana Block, Sylvie Galloway, Jennifer Utley, Camila Estrada, Greg Adams, Colten Hodak.

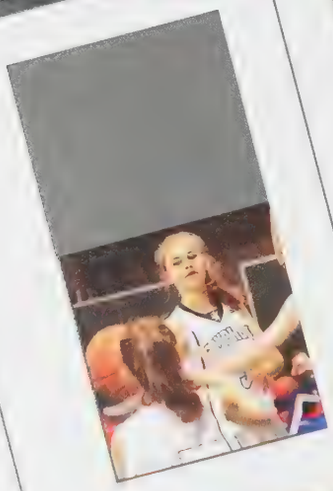




Senior Girls

The girls showed incredible results in their first year as an AA team, finishing on top in their AA tier 2 league and ending their regular season undefeated. This sent the team to the tier 1 South Islands Tournament where they finished 6th. **Grade 8**: Maddy Davits. **Grade 9**: Polina Vitrouk, Nicole Burnett (called up), Katie Hurst (called up). **Grade 10**: Jasmine Lee, Lynden Taylor, Emily Thompson. **Grade 11**: Chloe Korol-Filbey, Jane Glowicki, Renee Rathwell. **Grade 12**: Eleana Block, Kathlyn Denhoff, Kirsten Dupuy, Sylvie Galloway, Julie Yu. Congratulations to Sylvie Galloway who was selected to a team that competes in the Vancouver Island Seniors Classic All- Star Games.

GO GRYPHONS GO!



Junior Girls

Coached by Kirsten Ziegler and Ian West, the Junior Girls played a great season. Team members included: Eliza Bains, Amelia Brown, Nicole Burnett, Londyn Denford, Dana Escalante, Camille Germain, Maiya Hernandez, Chloe Hill-Huse, Katie Hurst, Clara Meyer, Megan Vroom & Sienna Yaremchuk.

Junior Boys

Junior Boys team had a mix of Middle and Senior school students. Seniors included: Grade 9: Conor Barclay, Josh Bowder, Cedric Jegede, Jackson Miller & Sam Zhao; Grade 10: Kevin Dang, Noah Fekete, Thomas Healey, Dex Owen & Ian Prescott. Coaches: Randy Ollech & Greg Harrison

Basketball

Senior Boys

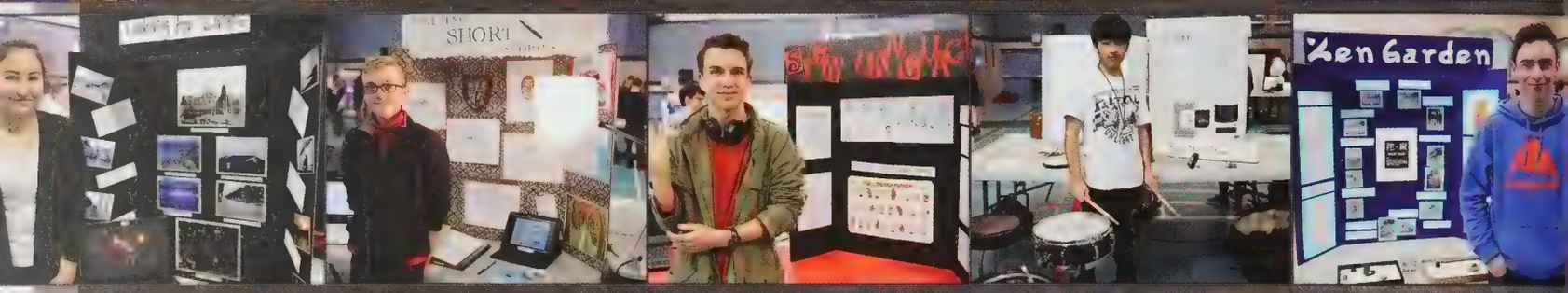
These Gryphons finished 2nd at the ISAAs. Chris Graham was named MVP and Hunter Hernandez-Morrison was named Allstar. Congratulations also to Chris McCulloch who was selected to a team that will compete in the Vancouver Island Seniors Classic All-Star Game.

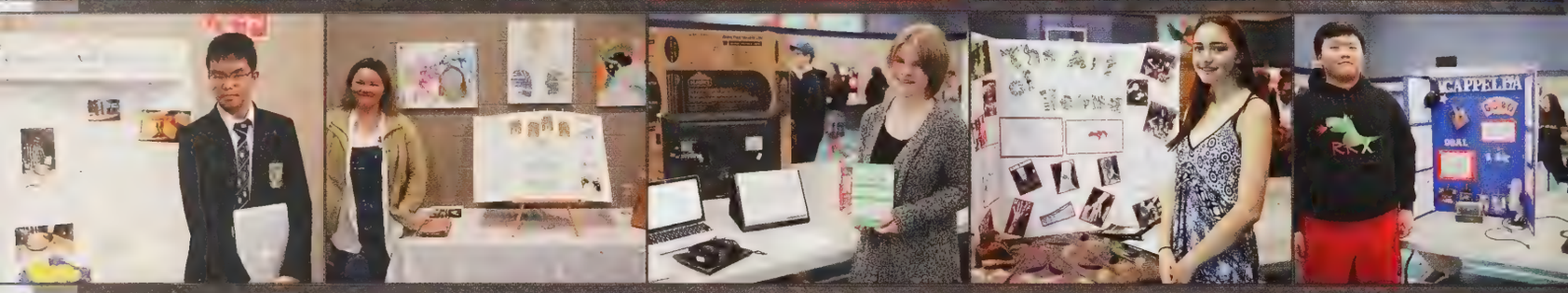
The team was coached by Steve King and Harvey Thorau. Members were:

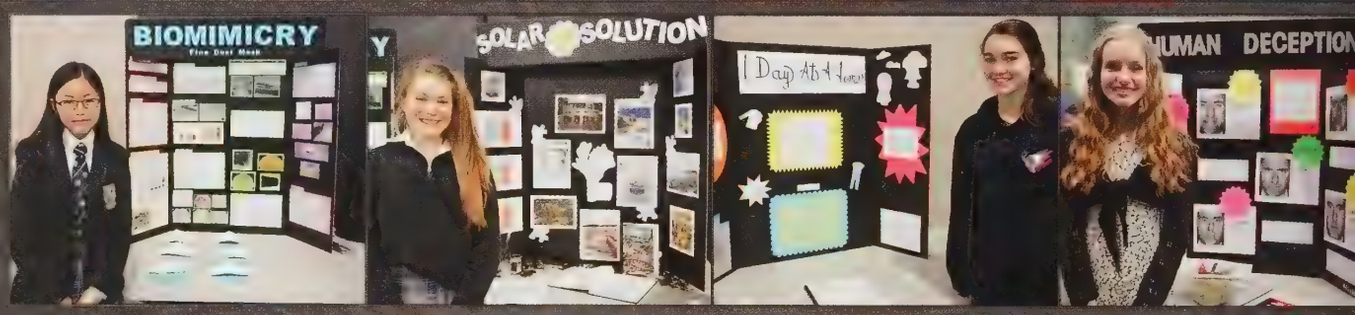
Grade 10: Ethan Stanger & Chris Graham.

Grade 11: Lucas Darke, Jeffery Ko, Kris Neilson, Hamish Vaughan-Wimmer and Kelvin Wang.

Grade 12: Pierce Colpman, Hunter Hernandez-Morrison, Lewis Hinton, Spencer Lee, Chris McCulloch and Jimmy Tang.







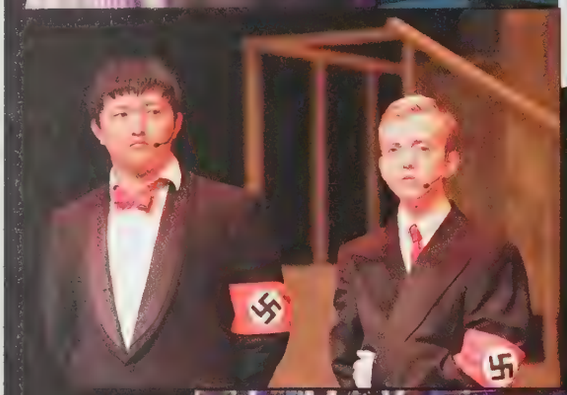
Awards:

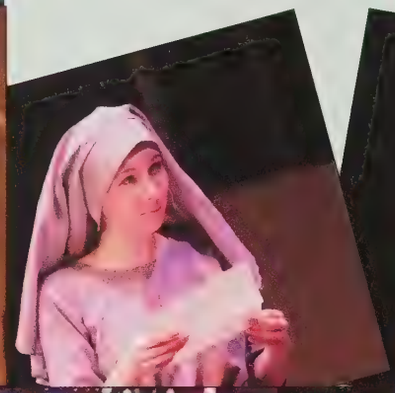
Thinking - Eli Ramraj
Inquiry - Jasmine Lee and Annie McLeod
Risk Taker - Manon Damant
Communicating - Carson Rust
Community and Service - Carson Rust

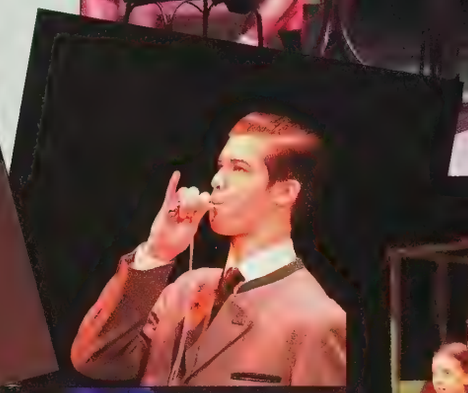
Personal Project Exhibition

Journal Entries
CREATING A COMIC BOOK
FOOD PHOTOGRAP
BOXING
HOW + IN WHAT WAYS CAN BOXING IMPROVE OVER-ALL PHYSICAL HEALTH
ILLUSTRATIONS
WRITING AND ILLUSTRATING A CHILDREN'S BOOK!
I.AM. I.LIVE. I.BREATH... PIGEON.
Worth It?
Nutrition for Athletes

The Sound of Music



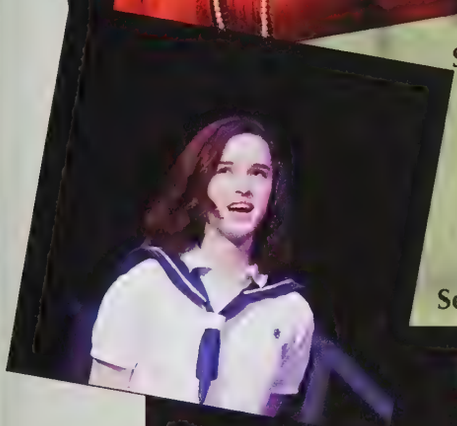




Story and Production

This year GNS performed Rogers and Hammerstein's beloved production of Maria and the von Trapp family: The Sound of Music.

Director - Adrienne Smook, Music Director - Marvin Regier
Young Ensemble Music Director - Inge Illman
Lighting Design - Rebekah Johnson
Sound Technician - Rylan Cook
Front of House Coordinator - Cheryl Tradewell
Scenic Painting - Lisa Drury, Waltz Coaching - Jamie Elbert
Poster & Program Design - Cheryl Alexander
Promotional Trailer - Sonya Chwyl
Lobby Decoration - Cindy Ackland
Young Ensemble Costumes - Lisa Chan
Young Ensemble Chaperones - Kate Pagett, Ali Doerksen, Christine McAuley & Mi LIng
Set Builder - Dan Costain & Projection Artist - Cindy Ackland



Cast:
Shalini Khanna (Nun Soloist); Christine Kim, Lam Vu, Tracy Huynh & Aim Musikachote(Nun Chorus/Party Guests); Christy Yu (Nun Chorus/Postulant/Party Guest); Lily Davies (Nun Chorus/Ursula); Annie McLeod (Nun Chorus/Party Guest/Frau Schweiger); Angela Girard, Andrea Harris, Maria Goncalves, Inge Illman, Kathryn Wild, Elspeth horn, Patty Wells, Sarah Wallace, Sarah McLeod, Rhonda Stark (Nun Chorus); Nghi Vu (Sister Berthe); Adrienne Descamps (Sister Margaretta); Ilse Loomer-Scott (Sister Sophia); Bella Szwender (Mother Abbess); Arianna Loy (Maria Rainer); Marissa Smithson (Liesl von Trapp); Scott McCollom (Friedrich von Trapp); Fallyn Denford (Louisa von Trapp); Emilio Agostinelli (Kurt von Trapp); Yuka Lu (Brigitta von Trapp); Alyssa Korol-Filbey (Marta von Trapp); Emma Bartram (Gretl von Trapp); Daniel Yvorchuk (Captain Georg von Trapp); Angus Silver (Rolf Gruber); Thomas Armenta (Franz); Gaby Girard (Frau Schmidt); Jack Wild (Max Detweiller); Tori Windle (Elsa Schrader); Nolan Smith (Herr Zeller); Manon Damant (Frau Zeller); Robin Meng (Admiral Von Schreiber); Liam Turner (Baron Elberfeld); Amelia Brown (Baroness Elberfeld); Leo Livora (Party Guest/Nazi); Michael Cheung (Party Guest/Nazi).

Young Ensemble Leaders: Grace Serfas, Eryn Wale & Max Hofman.

Young Ensemble: Blaise Beaulieu, Sophie Bosenberg, Ruby Carrow, Evie Cotterell, Olivia Doell, Quinn Doerksen, Lily Dunn, Isla Harold, Paige Hartfield, Arwyn Jones, Markus Lee, Taylor Macdonald, Ewan Macdonell, Emily MacMillan, Ryan MacPherson, Alexander Matsumoto, Mary Anne McAuley, Katelyn McDewar, Georgia McLeod, Sierra Myers, Peter Norris, Sophie Pathak, Jordan Peterson, Julia Roethel, Laila Shetty, Aliyah Smith, Jack Starke, Ellie Sutton & Griffin Webb.

Student Production Team: Stage Manager - Millar Smith, Head of Sound - Carson Rust, Lighting Operator - Andrea Demeo, Follow Spot Operators - Charlotte Streicher & Jamaica Ngo, QLap Operator - Drew Jackson, Scenic Painter - Charlotte Streicher, Dance Captain - Tori Windle, Head of Wardrobe - Lily Davies, Young Ensemble Costumes - Ella Chan, Projection Artists - Jesse O'Neill-Bains, Madeline Berry, Tori Windle, Pirada Tisapramotkul, Bella Szwender & Chelsea Roberts.

Pit Band Members: Keyboards - Tony Liu & Jade Fang; Harp - Saffron Sobkin; Bass - James Young; Flute - Paige Thompson; Baritone - Michael Norris; Rhythm Guitar - Lily Davies; Lead Guitar - Marvin Regier; Rehearsal Pianist - Tony Liu; Violin/Mandolin - Arianna Loy; Accordian - Yuka Lu; Ukulele - Alyssa Korol-Filbey.

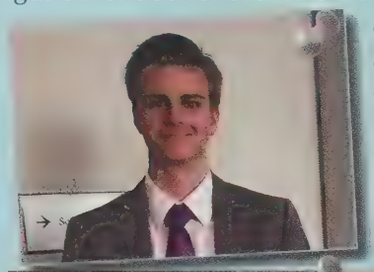
Debate

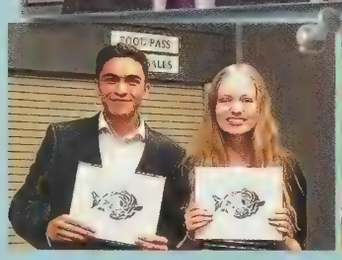
Golden Gnomes

Seven teams of GNS students competed at the Golden Gnomes in early December.

2017 Island Regional Debate +

In late January, GNS hosted the largest regional tournament in BC with 7 schools and 84 debaters participating across 3 categories. The theme was "Law and Social Justice". GNS teams constituted a large portion of the top ten in all categories with Eli Ramraj & Olivia Stupak 1st in the Junior Category followed by Sofie Finn Storan & Charlotte Brady in 2nd. In the Senior category, the teams of Nolan Smith & Ben Djukastein and Kris Neilson & Angus Silver tied for 3rd. Kris was one of the top 10 debaters and won a spot on the National Debate team. Kris and Angus also participated in the DSABC BC Qualifiers Debate Tournament at UBC in mid December.

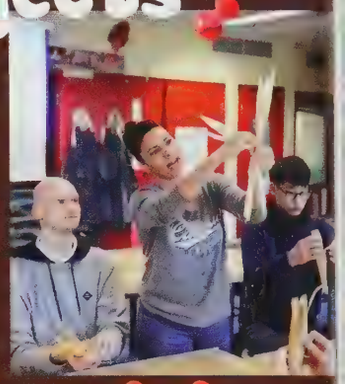




The following debaters participated in the Law Foundation Cup in Burnaby in early March: Ben Djukastein, Charlotte Brady, Sofie Finn Storin, Kris Neilson, Eli Ramraj, Olivia Stupak and Grade 8s: Gabbie MacPherson, Alexander Muller-Clemm, Brooke Taylor, Andrew Wale, Corin Wallace and Anders Woodruff.

Art Projects

Indigenous artist Lindsay Delaronde visited GNS and taught the Art 10 students how to make traditional corn husk dolls. Art 9 students studied the work of Native Canadian artist Norval Morisseau and then created water colour paintings of endangered animals.



ROUND SQUARE

In early December, Niki Marriott and Renee Rathwell headed out to represent the school at the RSIS Big Build Nepal.

Round Square Service

Service Trips

In December, a group of Gryphons headed to do service work in the Costa Rican BriBri indigenous community in Yorkin as well as participating in some eco-tourism activities on the Caribbean coast and outside of San Jose. Chaperones Dylan Reeves and Inge Illman were joined by Thomas Allan, Chloe Freeman, Jane Glowicki, Stella McCaig, Kaya Oro Martin, Hannah Salomon, Isobel Sweeney, Bella Szwender, & Jack Wild.

Winter Term 2017

GNS GRYPHONS

SENIOR SCHOOL TIMES

Academics

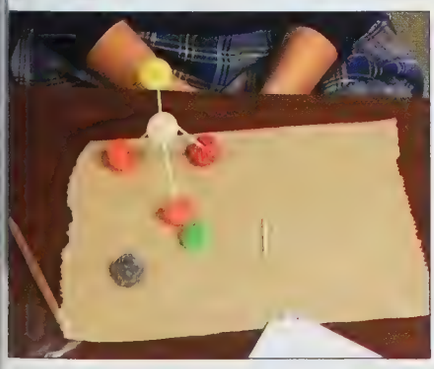
Special Assembly

American history prof Jason Colby, from UVic's History Dept. visited GNS spoke on the roots of the forces and personalities that helped shape the recent US election.

Senior Sciences

Mr. Zuk's IB Bio 11 collected samples for the University of Guelph who will sequence their DNA and add it to the Lifescanner app.

Chem 11 students learned about the shapes of molecules in 3D by using candies for the atoms.



Academics

French 9

The French 9 classes toured Bon Macaron, the French bakery on Broad Street. Jann Fougere and his staff gave a brief history of macarons and how they are made (entirely in French). The students also tried making macarons and chose 3 different flavours to try!

Sciences 11

In late March, all Grade 11 Science students attended the Group IV project at Swan Lake Nature Sanctuary. This project is a collaboration between the three areas of science in which students design an experiment which incorporates aspects of two distinct disciplines (Biology, Physics, or Chemistry) in an attempt to scientifically answer a research question devised by the students. Students were at the park for the morning and then returned to the school.

Clubs

Round Square

Rachel Diment's exchange partner from Salem Schule, Germany, Charlotte Streicher, joined us from January 6th till March 21st. Amelia Brown's exchange partner from Markham College, Peru, Isabel Piazza, joined us from January 5th to Feb 21st. Rachel and Amelia will travel to their exchange partner's school in April.

Academics

English Acquisition

Gr. 9s performed Dr. Seuss's The Lorax for Kindergarten students. Their rendition taught the importance & value of the environment.

U15 Boys Basketball

Randy Ollech and Sarah Bowder coached a Night League team that won the city championships. Members included a mixture of Grade 8 & Grade 9 GNS boys plus one boy from Oak Bay SS. The team included: Jackson Miller, Cedric Jegede, Josh Bowder, Nathan Jackson, Leo Huang, Leo Mah, Sam Zhao, Conor Barclay, Hunter Williams, Alex Gonin and Ian Ferguson.

SPRING TERM

Science Fair

A number of Grade 9s moved forwards to the Vancouver Island Regional Science Fair and a few other seniors prepared projects for presentation. All students returned home with prizes. Anna Ciceri, Annie McLeod and Zofka Svec were chose to compete in the top 8 of approximately 40 applicants in the prestigious Sanofi Biogenius Competition, BC Region. Annie, Anastasia Castro, Ella Chan and Melody Cheng also qualified as 4 of the 7 finalists to attend the Canada Wide Science Fair in Regina this year.

Sanofi Biogenius

Annie McLeod won 2nd overall and Zofka Svec won 5th overall!

Regionals

Annie McLeod (10) - won 1st overall, President's Entrance Scholarship, Dean of Science Scholarship, Starfish Award, Division for the Advancement of Women in Engineering and Geoscience, 1st - Association of Professional Engineers & Geoscientists of BC - Senior, BC Institute of Agrologists Award - Senior, Biology Undergraduate Society Award and Rotary Club of Victoria.

Melody Cheng (9) - won 2nd overall, Black Press Award, Michael Crooks Prize, Canadian Meteorological & Oceanographic Society Prize, Pearson Book Prize.

Ella Chan (11) - won 4th overall, Jasco Award, Prince of Whales Prize and Royal BC Museum Prize.

Anastasia Castro (9) - won 6th overall, Environment Award, BC Nature Award, and Canadian Meteorological & Oceanographic Society Prize.

Albert Yang (10) (with partner ShaoBo Zhang from Collingwood School) - won 1st in Senior, Association of Professional Engineers & Geoscientists of BC - Senior 3rd, Drs. Jane Browning and Dave Berry Award, Scientific Sprit Award and CVS Sightseeing Prize.

Anna Ciceri (11) - won 3rd in Senior and Alumni Award.

Leo Prosalendis (9) - won 2nd in Junior and Genome BC Award.

Sofie Finn Storan (9) - won 3rd in Junior, Drs Jane Browning and Dave Berry Award, Scientific Spirit Award and Mineral World and Scratch Patch Prize

Zofka Svec (9) - won 5th in Junior, Society for Canadian Women in Science & Technology Award, Alumni Award, American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, BC Institute of Agrologists Award - Junior, BC Hydro - South Island Award and Victoria natural History Society Award.

Luzdana Escalante Nava (9) - WE Coates Award: Canadian Land Reclamation, Canadian Meteorological & Oceanographic Society Prize and Pearson Book Prize.

Josh Bowder (9) - won Scientific Spirit Award and Ocean River Sports Prize.

Luciana Gonzalez (9) - won Russell Books Prize.

Jakob Svorkdal (9) - won Victoria Harbourcats Prize

Jack DesBrisay and Nolan Dempsey (9) - won Victoria Harbourcats Prize.

Canada Wide

Ella Chan won Bronze in the Senior category, **Anastasia Castro** won Bronze in the Intermediate category, **Melody Cheng** won Bronze in the Intermediate category as well as the Canadian Association of Physicists Prize and **Annie McLeod** won Gold in the Intermediate category.

Track & Field

Track was coached by Paul O'Callaghan and Veryan Wolsak.

At the Lower Island Championships, Liam Hoogewerf place 2nd in the 400m & 800m, Dana Escalante placed 3rd in the Long Jump and 200m and 6th in the 100m. Jesse O'Neil-Bains won the Senior 400m hurdles. At Islands, Liam won both his events, Dana won the Long Jump and Jesse won the 400m hurdles. Others attending practices were Alec Boegman, Bronte Denford, Caitlin Forster-Coull, Sarah Hougen, Krystyna Klimczuk-Massion, Rodrigo Lozano, Danielle Thoms and Sam Zhao.

Senior Girls

The girls won gold at the ISAs and silver at the Ryan Cup. Coached by Sonny Pawar were: Anna Ciceri, Caitlin Ciceri, Corinna Darcie, Andrea DeMeo, Kathlyn Denhoff, Andrea Egan, Caitlin Forster-Coull, Emily Forster-Coull, Jasmine Lee, Chloe Korol-Filbey, Shalini Khanna, Tali Mitchell, Kaya Oro Martin, Chelsea Roberts, Tori Windle, Jessa Broeren, Jenna Miller, Julia Newcombe, and Annie McLeod.

Soccer

Junior Girls

Grade 8: Paola Behena, Lily Brice, Ella Brown, Londyn Denford, Tara Golonka, Katherine Hofer, Nya Owen, Elliott Smith, Sophia Vasko, Hannah White, Lily Wieczorek.
Grade 9: Eliza Baines, Nicole Burnett, Camille Germain, Luciana Gonzales, Megan Vroom, Soleil Watterson, Sienna Yaremchuk.
Coaches/Sponsors: Samara Piercy & Jennie Greven.

Sailing

Paul Mais was the staff sponsor for this group which met at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club. Sailors included: Iain Betts, Lily Davies, Drake Erickson, Carson Rust, Paige Thompson, Liam Turner, Sienna Yaremchuk, Polina Vitrook, Katrina Wei and Robin Zhang.

Boys

Coaches: Winston Stanley, Shane Muldrew and Frank Stanley. **Grade 9:** Alec Boegman, Rodrigo Lozano. **Grade 10:** Thomas Armenta, Noah Fekete, Chris Graham, Thomas Healey, Alex Wells. **Grade 11:** Garrett Beattie, Long Do, Suphakorn Lertruchtkul, Bjorn Svorkdal, Ian Tam, Hamish Vaughan-Wimmer, Shota Yamamoto. **Grade 12:** Bryn Cubberley, Rowan Damant, Lewis Hinton, Aidan McCallum, Chris McCulloch, Stuart Purdy, Will Shorksy, Max Stewart.

The boys are the AA Tier 2 Provincial Champions!

Rugby

Girls

Coaches: Shane Muldrew, Andrea Robertson & Wendy Topic **Grade 9:** Camille Germain, Chloe Hill-Huse, Ismay Macklin, Sienna Yaremchuk. **Grade 10:** Amelia Brown, Manon Damant, Fallyn Denford, Sydney Hemphill, Mei Kanda, Ilree McElvaine, Lena Nyhuis, Maria Vega Davila, Emma Zarzour. **Grade 11:** Anna Cicen, Janet Ma, Angela Yu, Christy Yu, Claudia Zepeda Loyola. **Grade 12:** Clare Chan, Camila Estrada, Cameron Hahn, Sabrina Jegede, Shalini Khanna, Aim Muskachote, Danielle Thoms. **Congratulations to Chloe Hill-Huse** (9) who was one of 12 players named to the BC Rugby U16 Girls Elite 7s team. At the Las Vegas Invitational tournament (where a total of 8 U16 were participating), the team finished third behind two highly skilled teams from Sidney, Australia.

Ultimate

The Senior and Middle School teams combined to compete in the last jamboree of the season. Playing for the Seniors were: Curtis Chan, Clifton Chim, Keryn Jung, Alex Kong, Dex Owen, Eli Ramraj, Luke Rodrigues and Thomas Startek. CoachL Tassy Davidson.

Food Garden

The garden is maintained by the Round Square group but was spearheaded by Margaret McCullough. Harvested produce goes to local food banks and organizations such as the Mustard Seed.

Badminton

The Senior Badminton Team earned the title of the B League City Champions! After being undefeated in the regular season, in playoff action, they beat Spectrum 9-2 and PCS 7-4. **Christy Yu**, as Girls Singles player, and the Boys Doubles A pair of **Thomas Horan and Evin Lin** did not lose a match this season! Also on the winning competitive team were **Julie Yu and Sylvie Galloway** (Girls Doubles A), **Sam Bohlken-Hern and Casey Woo** (Boys Doubles B) and **Olivia Stupak and Amelia Brown** (Girls Doubles B) and **Curtis Chan** as Boys Singles player. Although many students came out to practice, not all participated in league play during the busy end of the Spring Term: Madeline Berry, Sam Bohlken-Hern, Amelia Brown, Artidtaya Chaithanayot, Curtis Chan, Michael Cheung, Clifton Chim, Sylvie Galloway, Thomas Horan, David Huang, Nancy Huang, Tracy Huynh, Keryn Jung, Claire, Kang, Brian Kim, Christine Kim, Alex Kong, Spencer Lee, Suphakorn Lertruchtkul, WIlliam Li, Evin Lin, Robin Meng, Callum Robertson, Olivia Stupak, Reid Thompson, Joel Verrier, Nghi Vu, Casey Woo, Albert Yang, Christy Yu, Julie Yu, Harry Zhang and Robin Zhang. Thanks to **coach** Darren Brown!

Regular League Players:

Singles: Christy Yu & Curtis Chan. **Boys Doubles:** Thomas Horan, Evin Lin, Alex Kong, Harry Zhang, Casey Woo, Sam Bohlken-Hern, David Huang, Robin Meng, WIlliam Li, Reid Thompson, Michael Cheung, Spencer Lee.

Girls Doubles: Julie Yu, Sylvie Galloway, Olivia Stupak, Amelia Brown, Madeline Berry, Nancy Huang, Christine Kim.

The Golf team members were Josh Bowder, Chris Graham, Cameron Hahn, Thomas Horan, Thomas Startek and Alex Wells. The team played well and qualified for the Island Championships in Powell River.

The team won the Island A Championship!

Thanks to coach Harvey Thorau!

Golf

Tennis

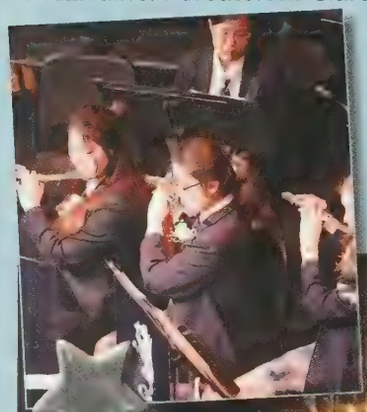
The team always managed to get enough participants to put up a team during the busy end of Spring Term. Coach: Lucho Davidov. Team: Eliza Baines, Sam Bohlken-Hern, Melody Cheng, Kevin Dang, Kirsten Dupuy, Sylvie Galloway, Chris Graham, Katie Hurst, Risa Ishiguro, Jeffery Ko, Spencer Lee, Ellice Maxwell, Aidan McCallum, Clara Meyer, Ian Prescott, Ivan Shumski, Angeline Silman, Liam Turner, Polina Vitrouk, Sebastian White, Kathy Xu and Lucy Zhang.

Outdoor Education

The focus for this term was on kayaking, canoeing and canoe rescues. Students involved in Outdoor Ed included:
Grade 9 & 10: Matthew Alexander, Katharina Aupperle, Eliza Baines, Iain Betts, Cassidy Brumby, Camille Germain, Luciana Gonzalez, Annissa Granegger, Thomas Healey, Rodrigo Lozano, Lena Nyhuis, Callum Robertson, Luke Rodrigues, Saffron Sobkin, Ethan Stanger, Jess Steves, Emily Thompson, Maria Vega Davila, Soleil Watterson, Michaela Vandenham, Sienna Yaremchuk.
Grade 11: Anna Ciceri, Madeleine DesBrisay, Andrea Egan, Jeffery Ko, Camden Leith, Suphakorn Lertruchtkul, Niki Marriott, Millar Smith, Jasmyne Storm, Bjorn Svorkdal, Bella Szwender, Takahiro Tanaka, Ian Tam, Cam Wallace, Marissa Young and Claudia Zepeda.

Concert Band

The Concert Band earned a Superior rating for their performance at the Vancouver island Concert Band Festival, qualifying for Nationals at MusicFest. Directors: David Marttinen and Steve Thompson. Flutes: Julie Yu, Jin Bi Kim, Ben Djukastein, Paige Thompson, Arianna Loy, Rachel Diment, Amelia Brown, Lena Nyhuis, Thomas Armenta, Izzy Macklin, Dana Escalante, Megan Vroom, Robin Zhang, Erica Lee. Oboe: Niki Marriott. Clarinets: Casey Woo, Kathy Xu, Cam Wallace, Madeleine DesBrisay, Thomas Allan, Lucy Zhang, Andrew Ahn, Julia Newcombe, Katie Hurst, Clara Meyer, Melody Cheng. Bassoon: Siobhan Golonka. Alto Sax: Tak Tanaka, Emily Thompson, Harry Zhang, Sebastian White, Conor Barclay, Jack DesBrisay. Tenor Sax: Carson Rust, Jakob Svorkdal. Baritone Sax: Samantha Patrick. Trumpet: Bryn Cubberley, Drew Jackson, Mark Barr, John Windle, Matthew Alexander, Liam Hoogewerf. Horn: Sydney Hemphill. Trombone: Tori Windle, Chloe Hill-Huse, Nicole Fast. Baritone: Michael Norris, Maiya Hernandez-Morrison. Tuba: Ronen Somogyi. String Bass: Dex Owen, Bree McElvaine. Percussion: Clare Chan, Nick Mamic, Camden Leith, Millar Smith, Maia Vasko, Claire Kang, Alec Boegman, Amy Zhao.



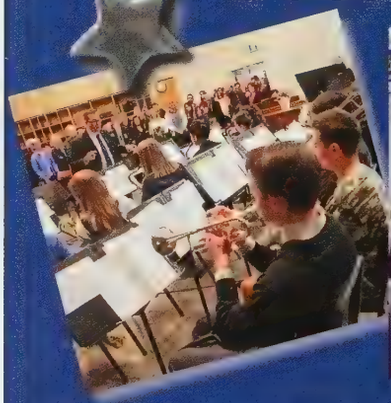
Law Foundation Cup

GNS's best ever showing at this Provincial Tournament saw Eli Ramraj coming first and Sofie Finn Storan 7th in the Junior (Gr 9-10) Individual category. In the Team results, Sofie and Charlotte Brady placed first in the Gr. 9s and 7th overall in their category while Eli and Olivia placed 5th. Seniors Ben Djukastein and Kris Neilson did remarkably well, earning the first alternate spot to the Oxford Cup!.

Provincial Bilingual Debate Championships

On April 1st, Grade 9 debaters Zofka Svec and Jessica Soule took a risk and participated in the Vancouver Provincial Bilingual Debate Championships in the Senior category (against Grade 12s). Judges commented on their skill in French and also their impressive debate skills. They won their opening rounds, eventually experiencing a close loss to the reigning international champions. An impressive finish in the top ten overall and as the top-placing team from the Island

Jazz Orchestra



The Jazz Orchestra earned a Gold rating at the West Coat Jazz Festival in Nanaimo. Grade 8: Anders Woodruff. Grade 9: Maiya Hernandez-Morrison, Erica Lee, Sebastian White, Robin Zhang. Grade 10: Mark Barr, Siobhan Golonka, Claire Kang, Samantha Patrick, Lucy Zhang. Grade 11: Drew Jackson, Camden Leith, Michael Norris, Paige Thompson, Cameron Wallace. Director: Steve Thompson. They also had a successful Jazz Night, helped open the new Music Centre, played in Celebrate the Arts and then entertained at the Oak Bay Tea Party!

Concours

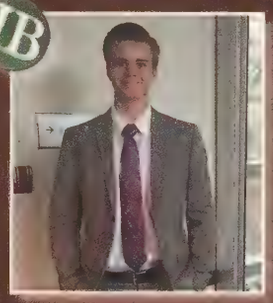
Students in Gr 7-9 Enhanced French prepared speeches of at least 3 minutes. In the three categories, winners were: Lily Davies and Jack DesBrisay(tied), Saffron Sobkin and Anastasia Castro. Some winners chose to attend the Province-wide competition on May 6, organized by the Canadian Parents for French at Simon Fraser University in Surrey. Special thanks to Clare Turner, Elspeth Easton and Jessica Soule (Gr 9) for their support and coaching as the provincial level competition included answering spontaneous questions from a panel of judges!

Provincial Mock Trials

Sixteen debaters participated in this competition which requires students to act as lawyers and witnesses for a University Moot Case. One team narrowly missed a position in the finals. Eli Ramraj was selected as the Best Witness overall. Siobhan Golonka was recognized as the Best Witness on her team and Andrea DeMeo and Hazel Shields were recognized for their adept skills as lawyers. Other participants were: Greg Adams, Stuart Cameron, Ella Chan, Lily Davies, Gaby Girard, Alex Kong, Kris Neilson, Angus Silver, Jessica Soule, Tori Windle, Marissa Young and Lucy Zhang.

National Debate

Charlotte Brady and Sofie Finn Storan competed at the Canadian Junior National Debate Championships in April in Vancouver and placed 4th as a team, with, individually Sofie placing 4th and Charlotte 10th.

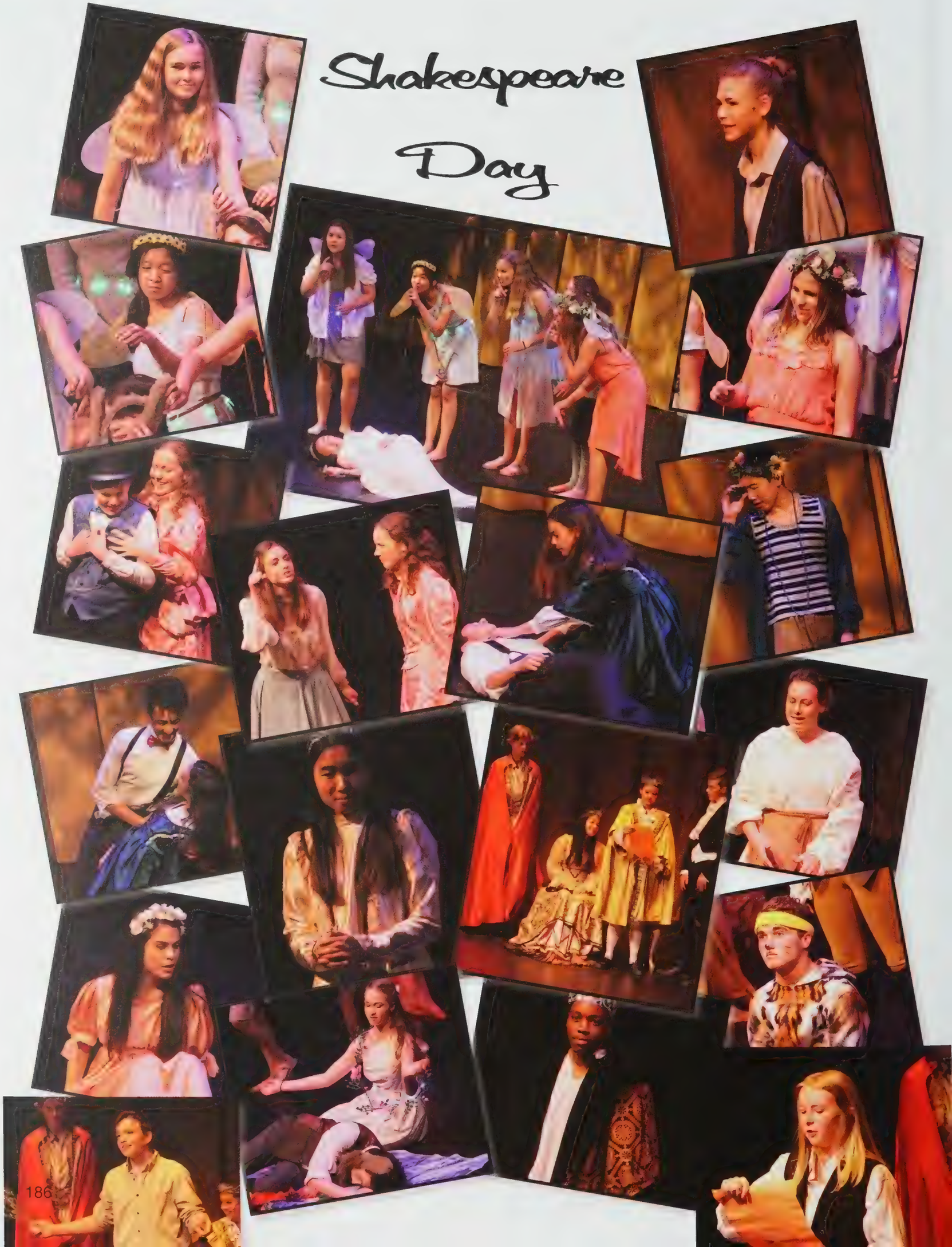


Kris Neilson travelled with coach Jamie Thornton in April to attend the Canadian Senior National Debate Qualifiers in Vancouver. This invitational event hosts 40 students from across the country who are trying for the 4 National team 2018 spots. The top 12 debaters are invited to a workshop in late summer so Debate Canada can choose the team members. Good luck, Kris!

ShawMun

Committees ranged from fictional futuristic countries to a Harry Potter-themed security council, all the way to the good old-fashioned General Assembly. In their respective committees, Greg Adams won Best Delegate and Melody Cheng won Honourable Mention. Enjoying the diverse gathering of delegates from BC and also the US were: Grade 9 - Melody Cheng and Erika Lee; Grade 10 - Amelia Brown, Claire Kang and Christine Kim; Grade 11 - Madeleine DesBrisay, Andrea Egan, Natasha Lloyd-Kruger, Janet Ma, Renee Rathwell, Angeline Silman and Christy Yu; Grade 12 - Greg Adams. Twenty-one Middle School students also joined the conference, which made for a huge GNS presence.

Shakespeare Day



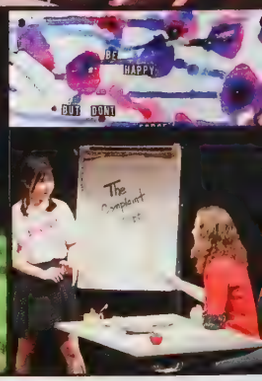
IB Exams

It was a popcorn and cotton candy kind of day as Grade 12s gathered over lunch with several of the staff who wanted to wish them luck as they started their IB exams.

Heads to Hearts to Action

Nine students from Grades 7-12 joined Annie Vallance and Kyla Kopperud at the STEM conference for girls at St. Margaret's School. Keynote speakers were: Natalie Panek, a rocket scientist adventurer and advocate fr women in technology; Donna Garbutt the CEO of Maxxam, a Canadian market leader in analytical services and solutions to the energy, environmental, food and DNA industries; and Rosemary Chapdelaine, the Vice President and General Manager of Lockheed Martin Canada, Rotary and Mission Systems.

Celebrate the Arts



SENIOR SCHOOL TIMES

GNS GRYPHONS

Opening

Music Centre

The renovated Music Centre opened officially on March 31st. A special thanks to all the donors from the Annual Appeal, the Parent's Auxiliary and Major Donors!

Clubs

Round Square

Sr. Reeves took a quartet of students to the Conference of the Americas at Belgrano Day School in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The trip started in Pampa before heading to the conference which was themed "Embrace the Opportunity". Experiencing this wonderful adventure were: Nancy Huang, Clare Kang, Risa Ishiguro and Amy Zhao.

Individuals

Writing

Congratulations to Alice Xiao who has been shortlisted for the Claremont Review's annual writing and art contest. The publishers are a group of volunteers with a goal of publishing promising young adult writers from around the globe.

Clubs

Model UN

Members of the club were Greg Adams, Melody Cheng, Hunter Hernandez-Morrison, Thomas Horan, Yovella Hsu, Risa Ishiguro, Jin Bi Kim, Suphakorn Lertruchtkul, Hazel Shields, Alice Xiao, Kathy Xu, Julie Yu and Amy Zhao. Staff sponsor was Kirsten Ziegler. The group listened to many interesting presenters this term, including Johnny Zhang, former GNS student now studying Economics at U of T.

Yearbook Team

Eleana Block, Amelia Brown, Melody Cheng, Marisa Smith, Beatrix White, Hannah White, Piramon Tisapramotkul, Cheryl Tradewell, Albert Yang, and Julie Yu.

Clubs

LEAP

The LEAP club organized Earth Week activities, helped run Alternative Transportation celebrations, and streamlined the recycling system this term. Led by Dylan Reeves and the Environmental prefect, Ilse Loomer-Scott were: Katharina Aupperle, Eleana Block, Madeleine DesBrisay, Andrea Egan, Camila Estrada, Chloe Freeman, Andrea Herrmann, Shalini Khanna, Vincent Klashinsky, Natasha Lloyd-Kruger, Bree McElvaine, Duncan Morrical and Jessie Rost.

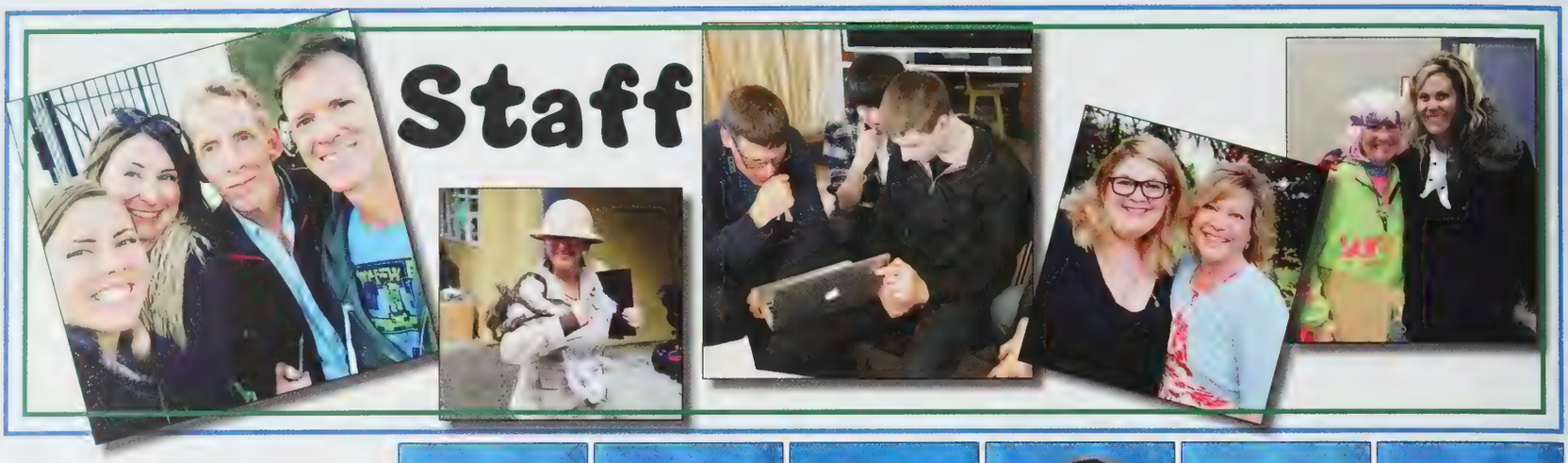
Book Club

Anastasia Castro, Ella Chan, Anna Ciceri, Manon Damant, Madeleine DesBrisay, Max Dickinson, Kirsten Dupuy, Andrea Egan, Madeleine Harris, Don Hwang, Keryn Jung Shalini Khanna Natasha Lloyd-Kruger, Ellice Maxwell, Stella McCaig, Annie McLeod, Duncan Morrical, Jessica Soule, Zofka Svec, Rebecca Vesey, Jack Wild, Tori Windle, and Albert Yang. Led by Ms. Elbert.

Clubs

Photography Club

Thanks to this club for all the great photo booths! Led by Jamie Elbert were: Ava Acomba, Thomas Armenta, Katharina Aupperle, Guilia Baseggio, Madeline Berry, Melody Cheng, Manon Damant, Bronte Denford, Alessandra di Frassineto, Camila Estrada, Gaby Girard, Annissa Granegger, Sydney Hemphill, Emma Hofer, Kin Jiengphattanakit, Natasha Lloyd-Kruger, Ismay Macklin, Bree McElvaine, Annie McLeod, Francesco Navarro Roby, Dex Owen, Eli Ramraj, Callum Robertson, Nolan Smith, Jessica Soule, Paige Thompson, Rebecca Vesey, Gabriel White, Kathy Xu, Sienna Yaremchuk, and Lucy Zhang.



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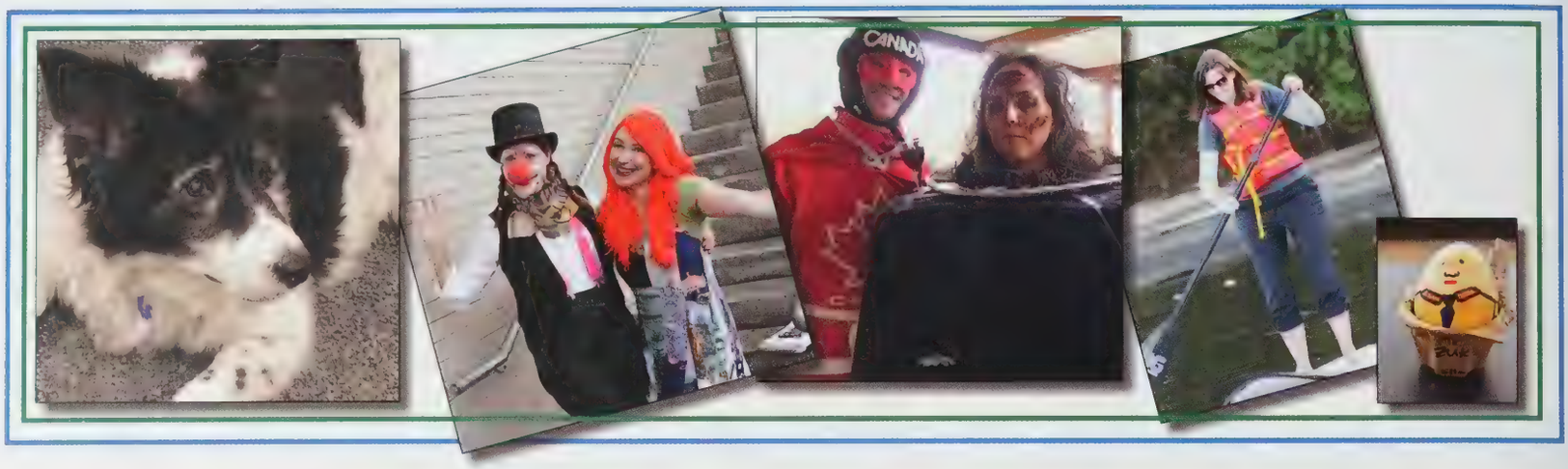

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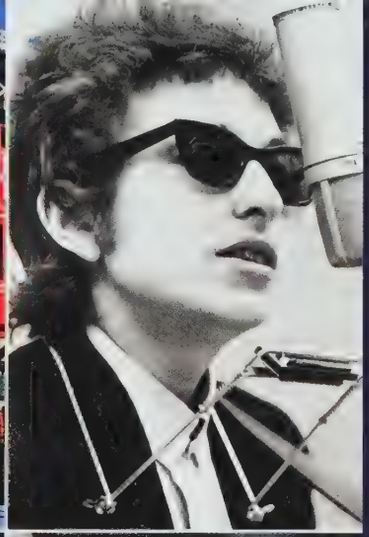

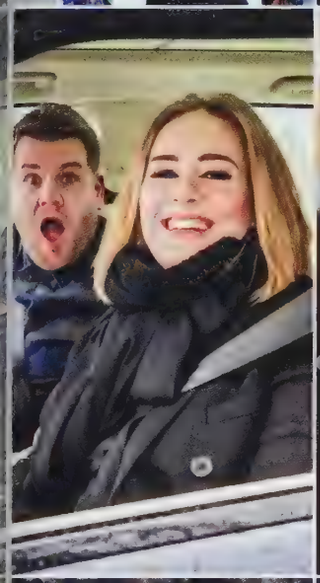

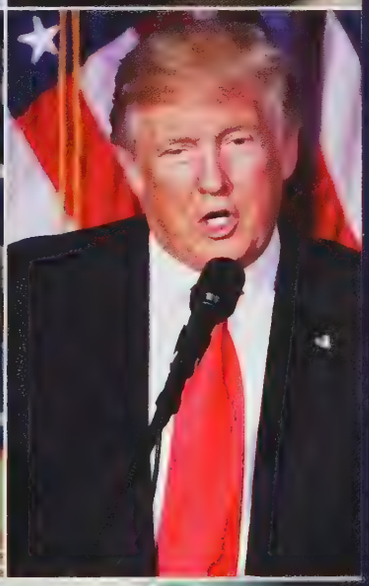

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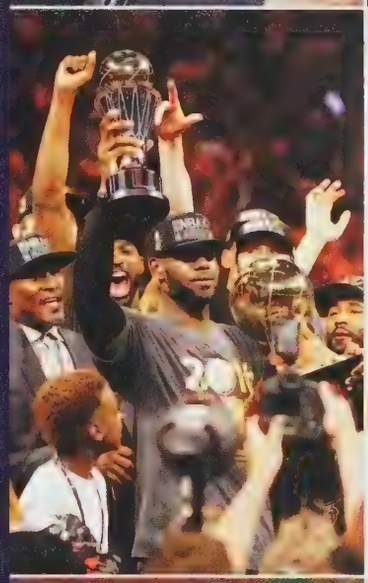
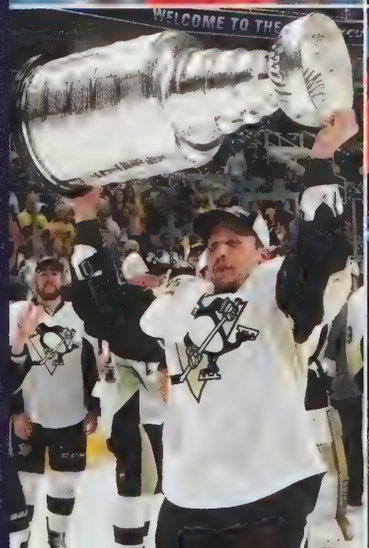




OLYMPICS

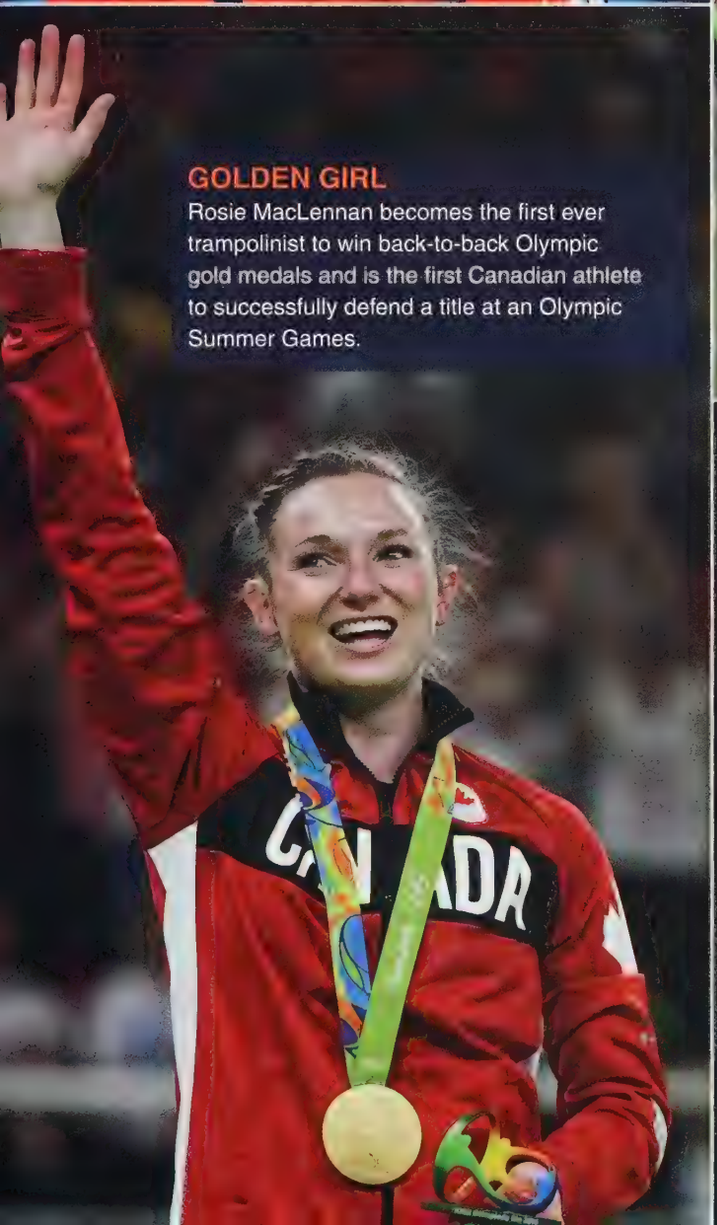
PENNY ON THE PODIUM
At age 16, swimmer Penny Oleksiak thrills Canadian audiences by becoming the youngest Canadian gold medalist in Summer Olympic Games history and wins 4 medals including sharing a new world record in the 100m freestyle at the Summer Games in Rio.

A SWIMMING SUCCESS
Canada captures six medals in swimming including a bronze medal in the women's 4 x 200m freestyle relay.

MIGHTY MEDALIST
Erica Wiebe of Stittsville ON defeats Kazakhstan's Guzel Manyurova in the final to win wrestling gold.

ALL SMILES
Jamaican sprinter Usain Bolt and Canadian sprinter Andre De Grasse share a laugh as De Grasse becomes the first Canadian track athlete to win three sprint medals in one Olympic Games.

BACK-TO-BACK BRONZE
For the second Summer Olympics in a row Canada's women's soccer team, led by Captain Christine Sinclair, win bronze.

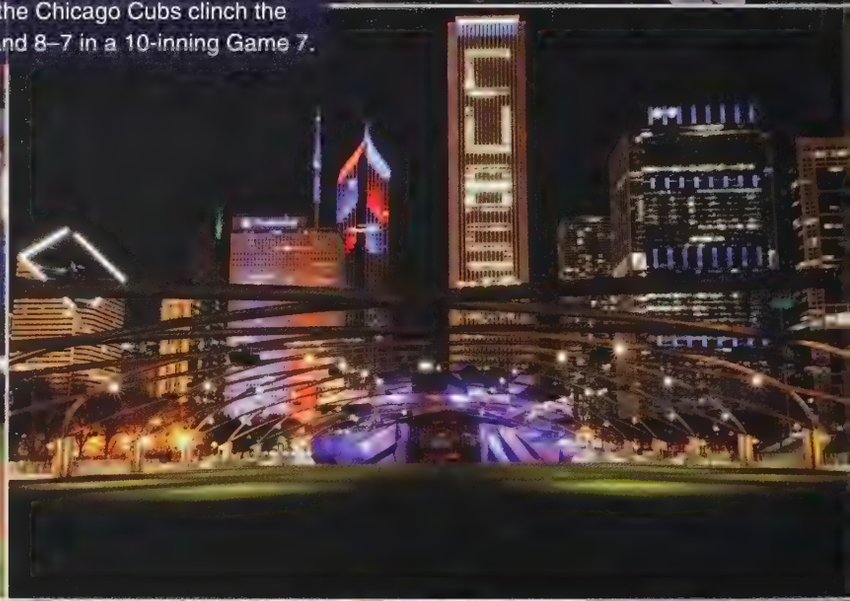


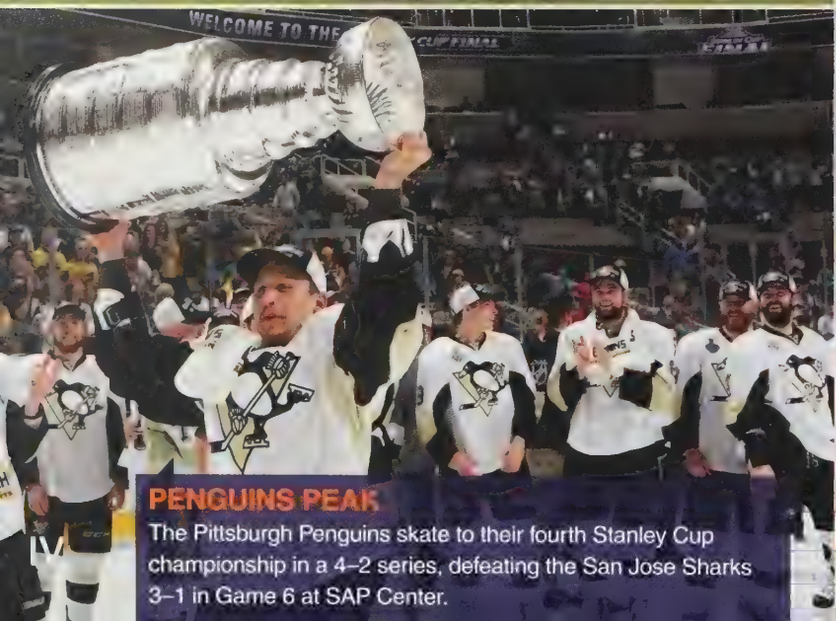
GOLDEN GIRL
Rosie MacLennan becomes the first ever trampolinist to win back-to-back Olympic gold medals and is the first Canadian athlete to successfully defend a title at an Olympic Summer Games.

JUMP FOR JOY
Derek Drouin becomes Canada's first Olympic champion in a field event in 84 years.

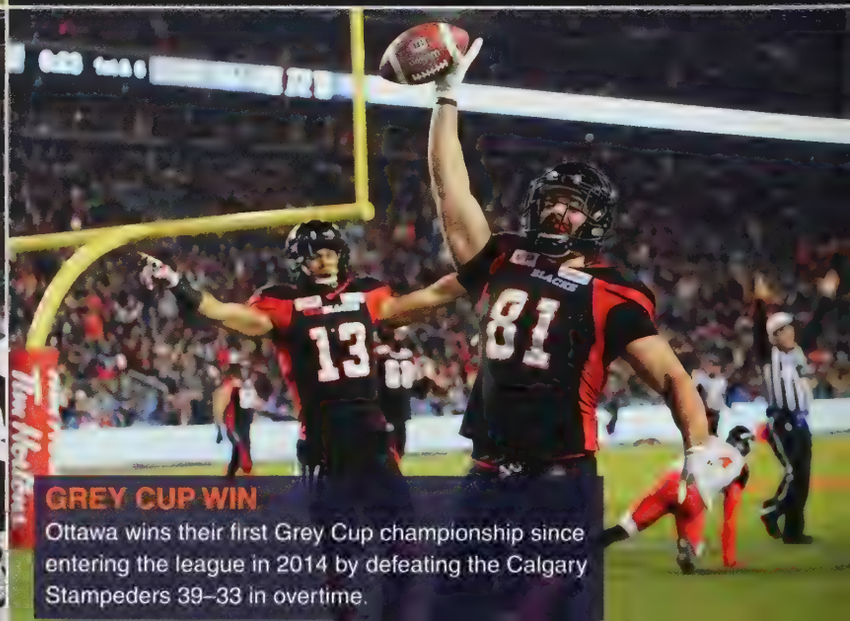
SPORTS

CUBS FANS REJOICE
For the first time since 1908, the Chicago Cubs clinch the World Series, beating Cleveland 8–7 in a 10-inning Game 7.

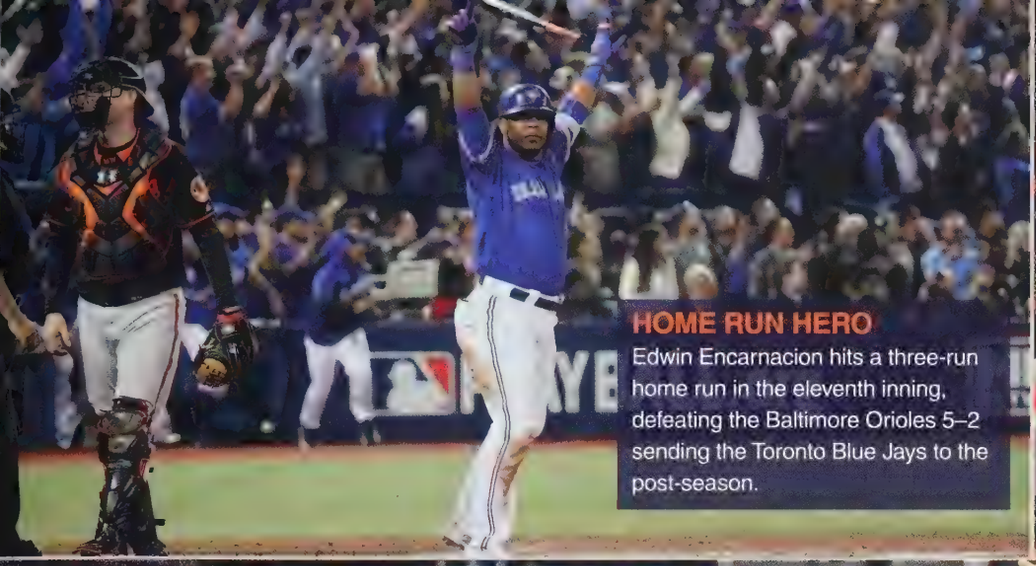




PENGUINS PEAK
The Pittsburgh Penguins skate to their fourth Stanley Cup championship in a 4–2 series, defeating the San Jose Sharks 3–1 in Game 6 at SAP Center.

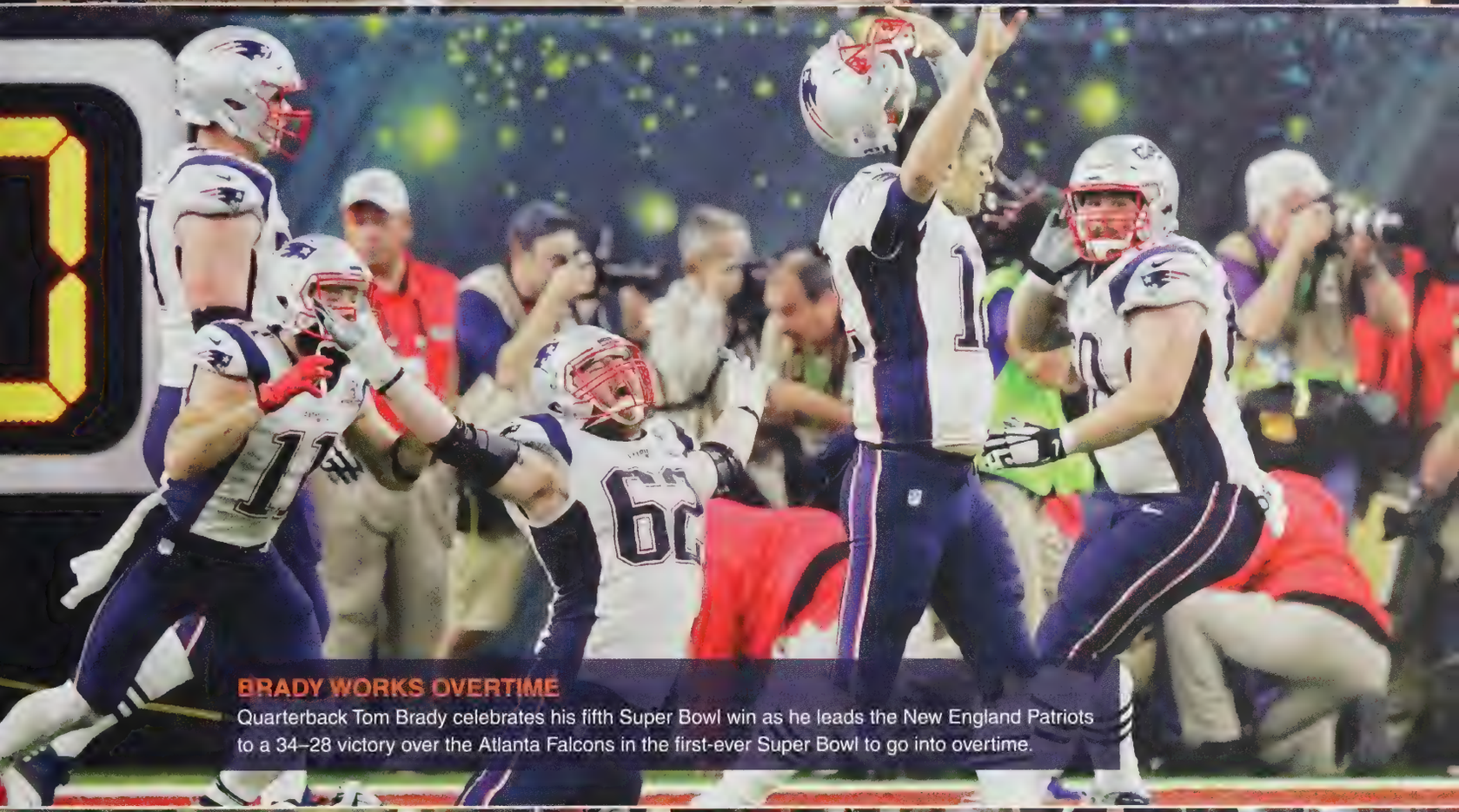


GREY CUP WIN
Ottawa wins their first Grey Cup championship since entering the league in 2014 by defeating the Calgary Stampeders 39–33 in overtime.



HOME RUN HERO
Edwin Encarnacion hits a three-run home run in the eleventh inning, defeating the Baltimore Orioles 5–2 sending the Toronto Blue Jays to the post-season.

CLEVELAND CLAIMS NBA TITLE
LeBron James and the Cavaliers beat the Golden State Warriors 93–89 in Game 7 and give their city its first major sports championship since 1964.

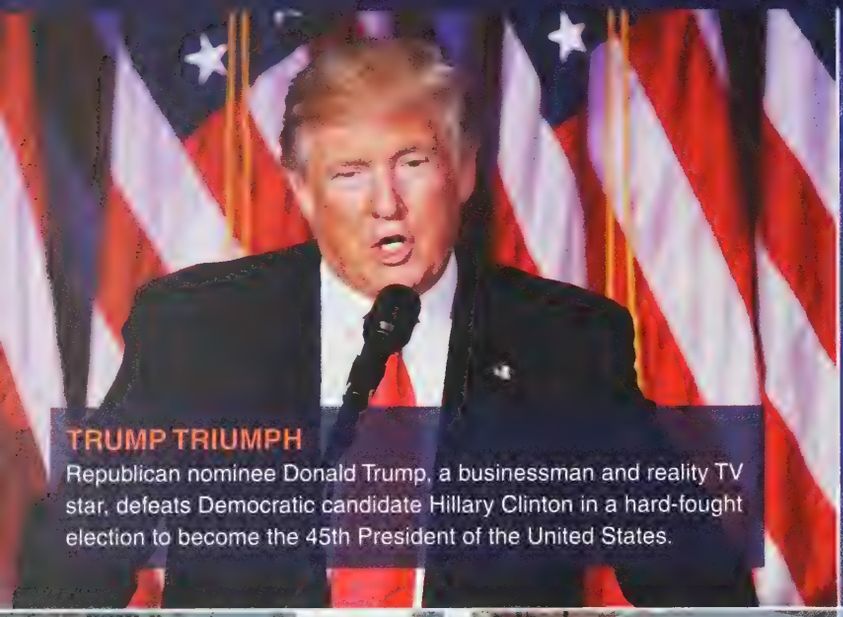


BRADY WORKS OVERTIME
Quarterback Tom Brady celebrates his fifth Super Bowl win as he leads the New England Patriots to a 34–28 victory over the Atlanta Falcons in the first-ever Super Bowl to go into overtime.

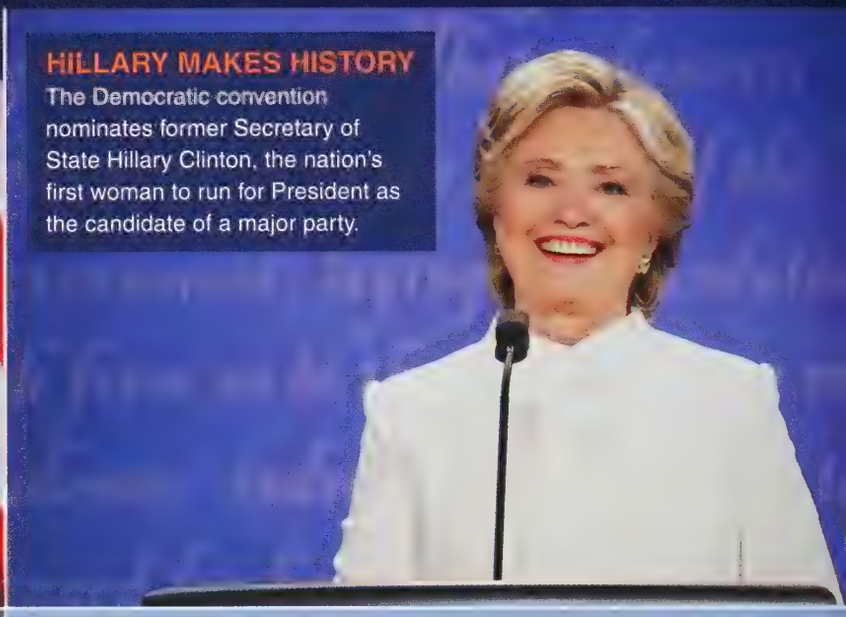
BREAKOUT YEAR FOR BROOKE
Brooke Henderson rises to #2 in the world golf rankings and is the first Canadian woman in 48 years to win a major championship.

WORLD CUP CHAMPS
Brad Marchand scores a shorthanded goal with 43.1 seconds left, giving Team Canada a 2–1 win against Team Europe in the World Cup Championship.

NEWS/HEADLINES



TRUMP TRIUMPH
Republican nominee Donald Trump, a businessman and reality TV star, defeats Democratic candidate Hillary Clinton in a hard-fought election to become the 45th President of the United States.

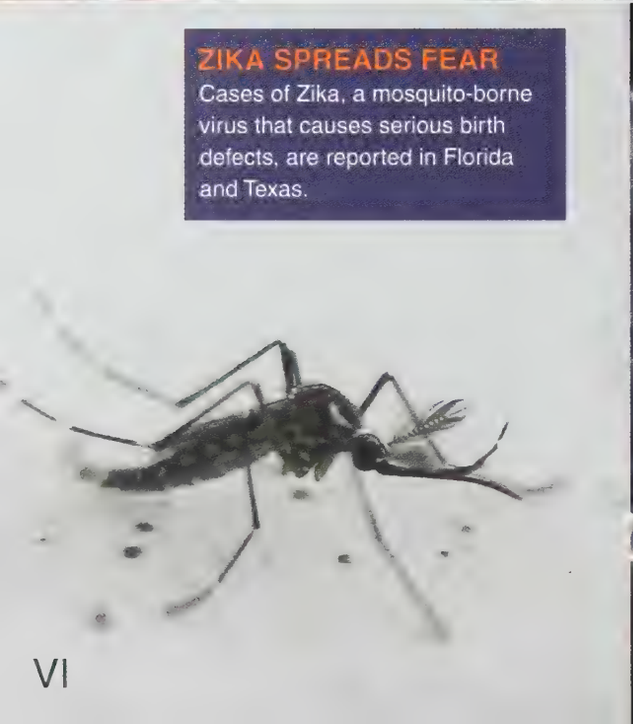


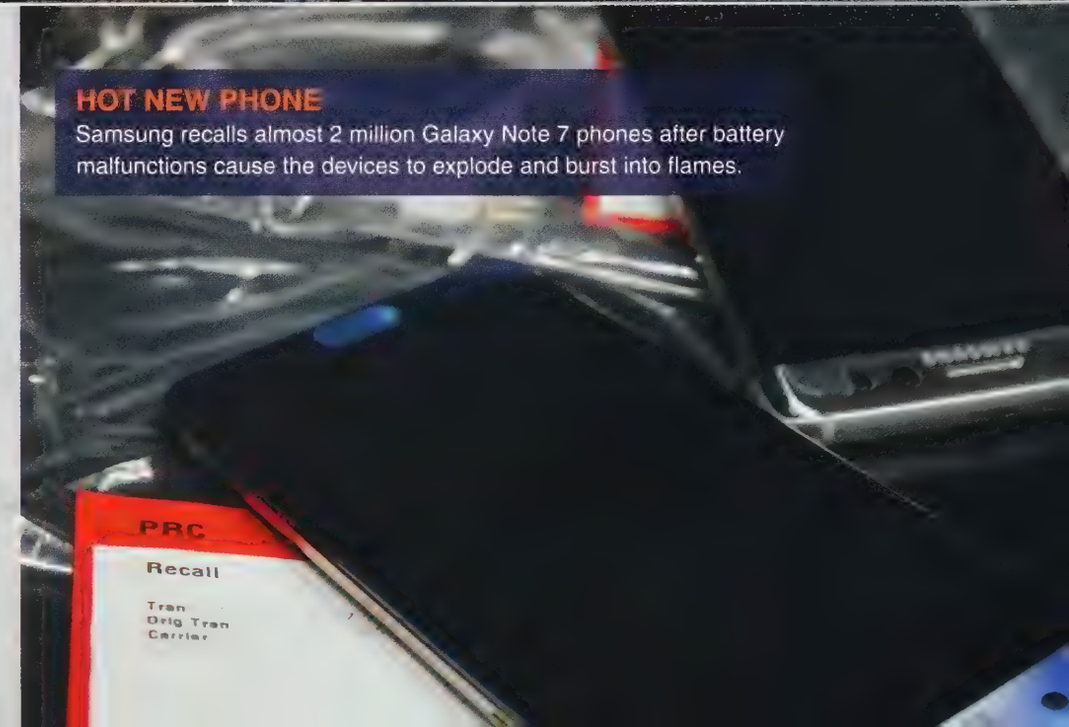
HILLARY MAKES HISTORY
The Democratic convention nominates former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton, the nation's first woman to run for President as the candidate of a major party.

REFUGEE GOAL
The Canadian government meets its commitment of resettling 25,000 Syrian refugees in early 2016.

UK DECIDES TO BREXIT
Great Britain's voters choose to leave the European Union, reflecting growing concerns about immigration, national identity, and the economy.

ZIKA SPREADS FEAR
Cases of Zika, a mosquito-borne virus that causes serious birth defects, are reported in Florida and Texas.

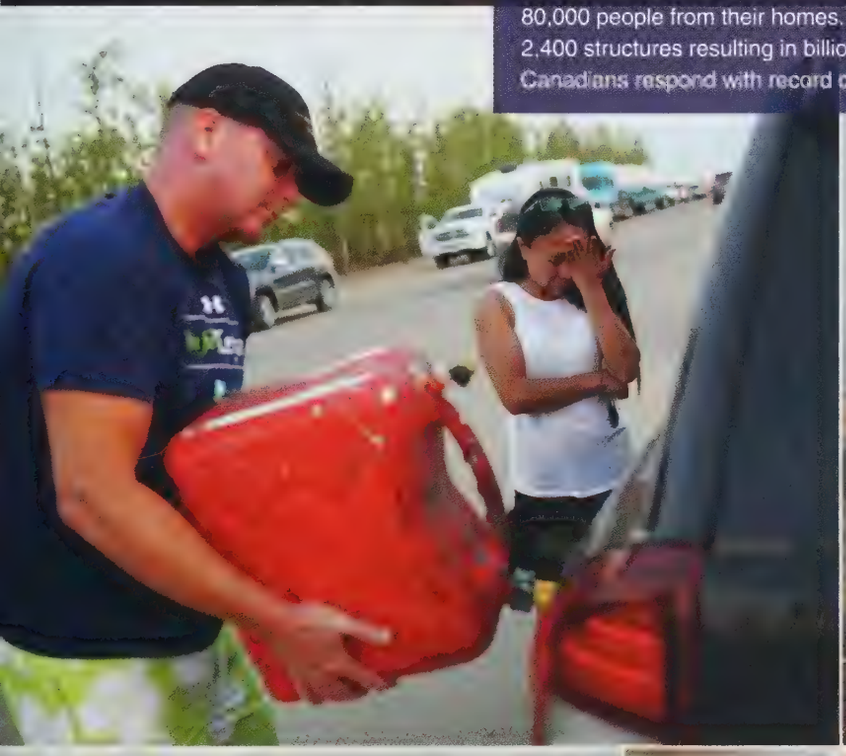


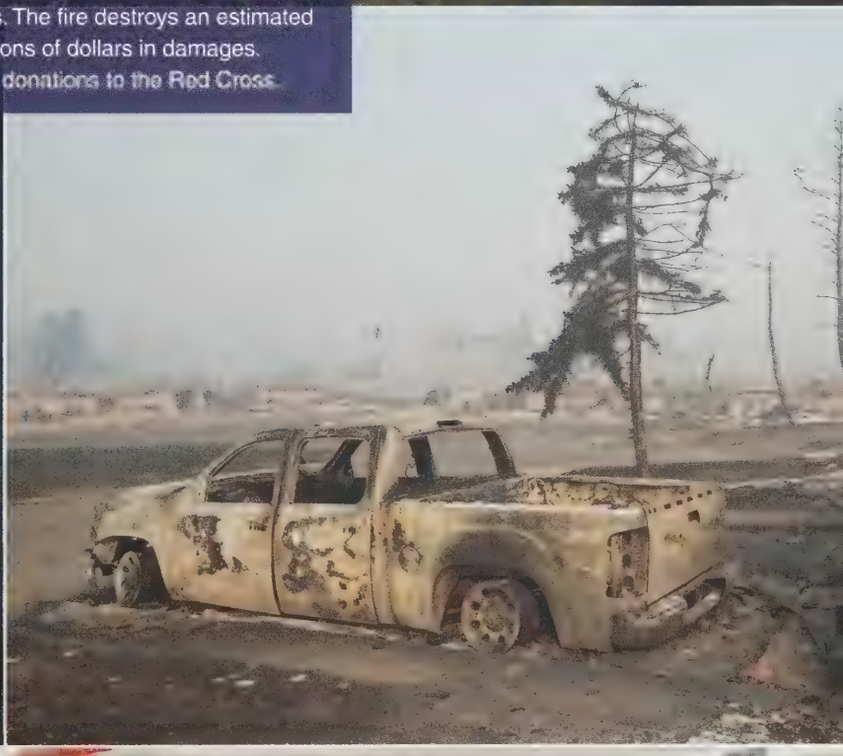


HOT NEW PHONE
Samsung recalls almost 2 million Galaxy Note 7 phones after battery malfunctions cause the devices to explode and burst into flames.

FORT MCMURRAY FIRE

A massive wildfire sweeps through the northern community of Fort McMurray, Alberta, forcing the evacuation of more than 80,000 people from their homes. The fire destroys an estimated 2,400 structures resulting in billions of dollars in damages. Canadians respond with record donations to the Red Cross.





AIR AMAZON

An Amazon customer in London is the recipient of the e-commerce company's first home delivery by drone.

TESLA CARS RECEIVE AUTOPILOT UPDATE

With an over-the-air update, Tesla adds self-driving functionality to thousands of their customers' vehicles; however, drivers can't go completely hands-free.

MOVIES

ANIMATION RULES

Animation and superheroes dominated the top movies of 2016. Together, these movies grossed over $3 billion worldwide.

BATMAN v SUPERMAN
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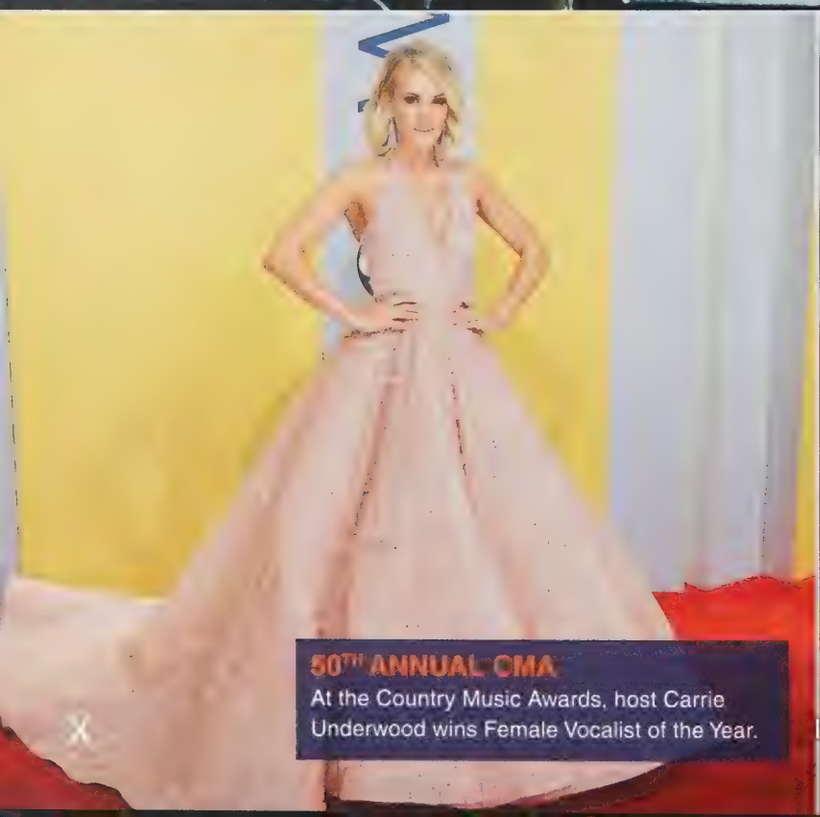
A STAR WARS STORY

MUSIC

THE HIP CAPTIVATE A NATION

In spite of lead singer Gord Downie's diagnosis of terminal brain cancer, The Tragically Hip launch the "Man Machine Poem Tour" across Canada, raising over one million dollars for brain cancer research. Their final performance is nationally broadcasted with over one-third of the population of Canada (11.7 million viewers) tuning in on television, radio, and streaming formats for part of the concert.



50TH ANNUAL CMA

At the Country Music Awards, host Carrie Underwood wins Female Vocalist of the Year.

WEEKND WARRIOR

Fresh off the success of "Beauty Behind The Madness," The Weeknd releases his anticipated follow-up album "Starboy" featuring Daft Punk and Kendrick Lamar.

4.7 BILLION STREAMERS AND COUNTING
With the most streamed single, "One Dance," and the most streamed album, "Views," Drake is the most streamed artist of the year according to Apple Music and Spotify.

TWENTY ONE IS NUMBER ONE
With the top three songs on the Hot Rock Songs chart, Twenty One Pilots come out on top as the Billboard top Rock artist of the year.

BIEBER NABS A GRAMMY
Justin Bieber's collaboration with Diplo and Skrillex on the song "Where Are U Now" earns him his first Grammy for Best Dance Recording.

QUEEN BEY REIGNS SUPREME
With her record-breaking nine nominations, Beyoncé leads the Grammy pack, followed by Drake, Kanye, and Rihanna, with eight a piece.

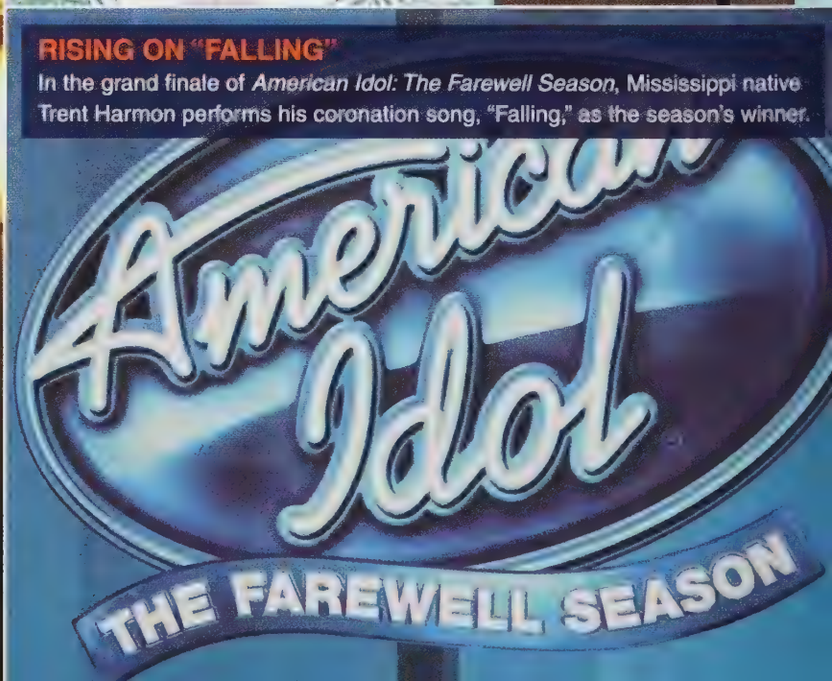
TAYLOR TAKES THE LEAD
Forbes crunches the numbers and finds that Taylor Swift is the world's highest-paid musician, ahead of One Direction in second place and Adele in third.

CELEBRITY NEWS

SONGWRITER NABS NOBEL
The Swedish Academy bestows the Nobel Prize in literature on singer-songwriter Bob Dylan. It's the first time the award has gone to a musician.

THE OSCAR GOES TO LEO
After five previous nominations, Leonardo DiCaprio finally clinches an Academy Award. He is named Best Actor for his role in *The Revenant*.

TEN YEARS OF TIMBERLAKE
TEEN CHOICE celebrates Justin Timberlake with its first-ever Decade Award to mark his 10-year-career as a TEEN CHOICE icon.



RISING ON "FALLING"
In the grand finale of *American Idol: The Farewell Season*, Mississippi native Trent Harmon performs his coronation song, "Falling," as the season's winner.

THE RYAN FACTOR

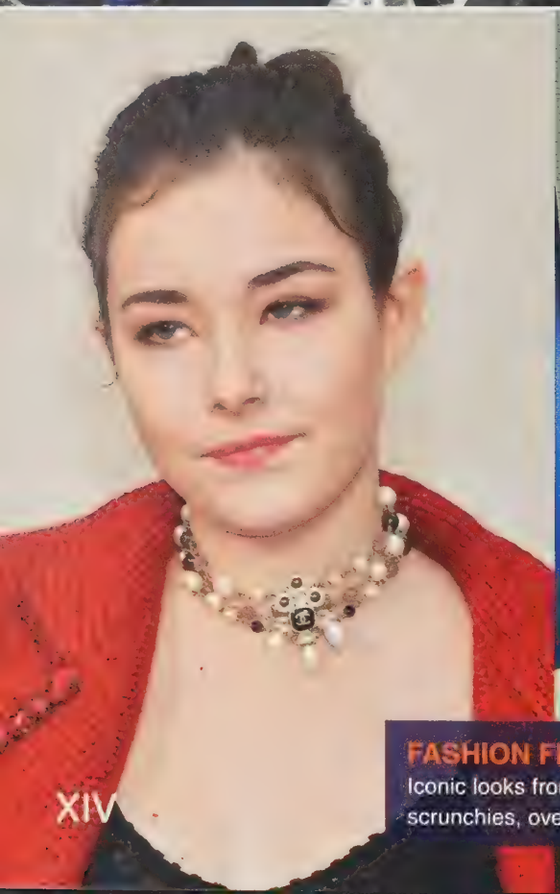
Canadian actors Ryan Reynolds and Ryan Gosling have record years as Reynolds wins a Critics' Choice Movie Award, MTV Movie award, and is named an honouree to the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Gosling wins a Golden Globe for Best Actor – Motion Picture Musical or Comedy as well as earns an Oscar nomination for *La La Land*.

IN MEMORIAM

Pop culture fans bid farewell to several iconic performers, including music legends David Bowie, Leonard Cohen, Prince, and actor/screenwriter Carrie Fisher.

POP CULTURE

"HELLO" FROM THE CARPOOL
The year's most-viewed YouTube video captures Adele's appearance in "Carpool Karaoke," a popular recurring feature on James Corden's *Late Late Show* on CBS.



FASHION FLASHBACK
Iconic looks from the 1990s — like chokers, Doc Martens, biker jackets, jelly sandals, scrunchies, overalls, high-waist jeans, and flannels — make a comeback.

POKÉMON PHENOMENON

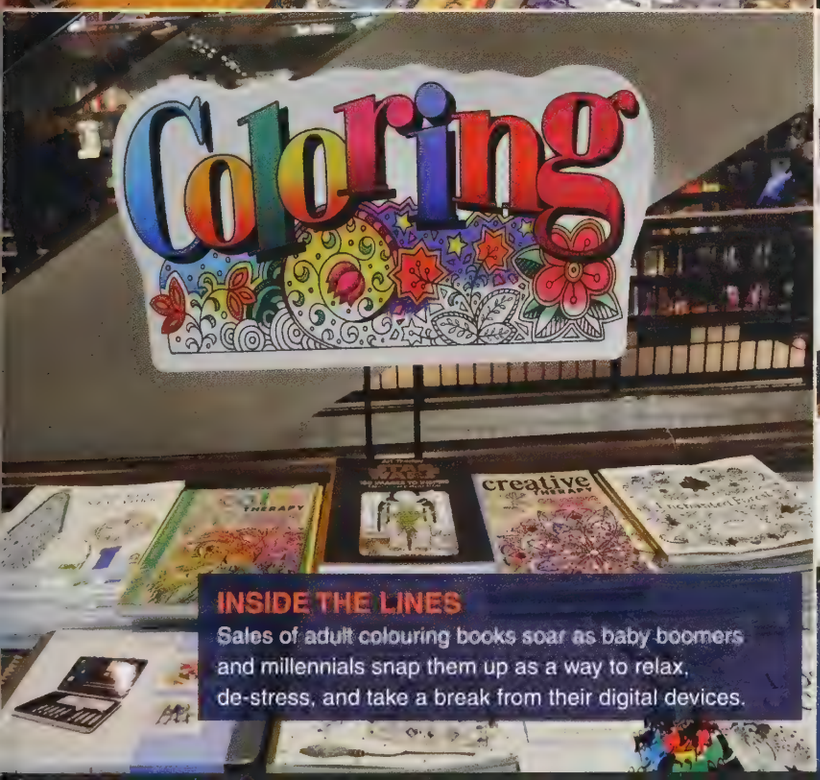
Pokémon Go is a bestselling game; millions of players hunt and capture its digital creatures, resulting in a dramatic increase in visits to parks across the nation.

POTTER RULES

A special rehearsal script for *Harry Potter and the Cursed Child*, the eighth story in J.K. Rowling's popular series, tops the Amazon bestseller list.

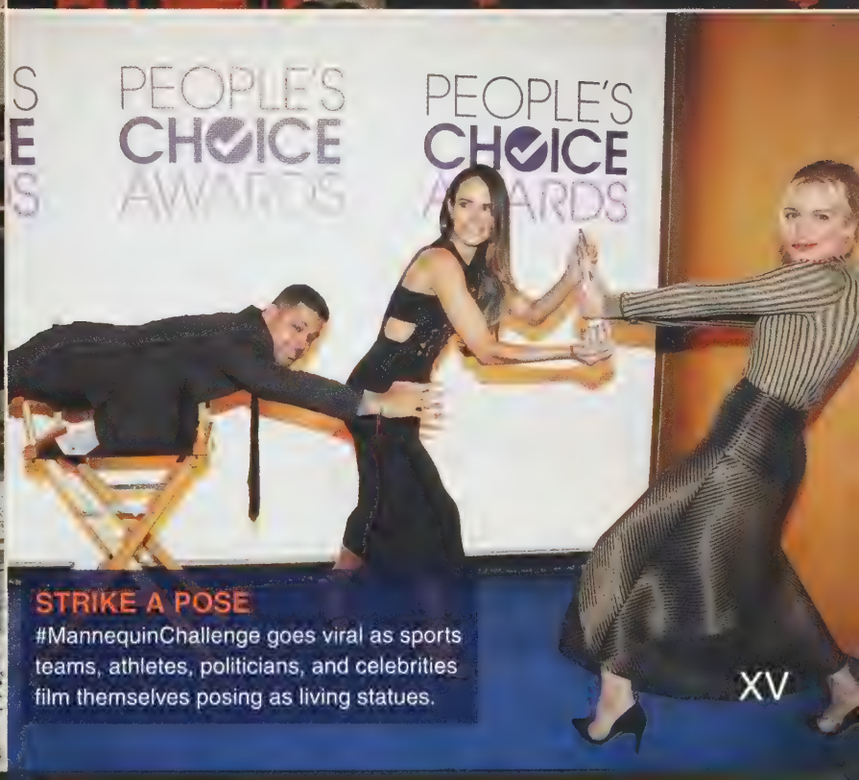
HOT TICKET

With its game-changing diverse cast and hip-hop soundtrack, the revolutionary *Hamilton* is hailed by critics and fans as one of the best Broadway musicals of all time.



INSIDE THE LINES

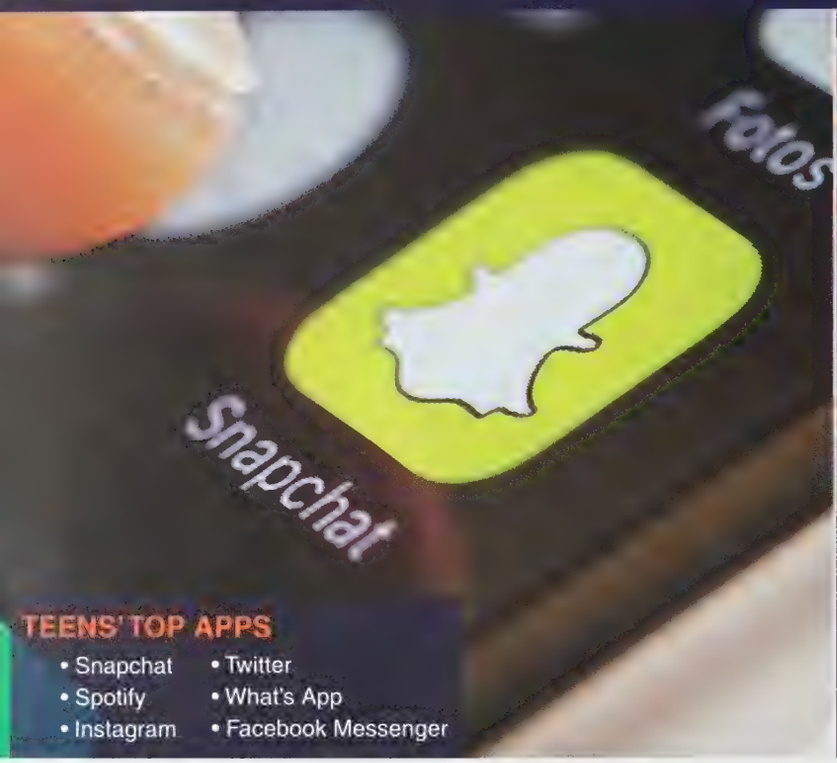
Sales of adult colouring books soar as baby boomers and millennials snap them up as a way to relax, de-stress, and take a break from their digital devices.



STRIKE A POSE

#MannequinChallenge goes viral as sports teams, athletes, politicians, and celebrities film themselves posing as living statues.

FUN FACTS



TEENS' TOP APPS

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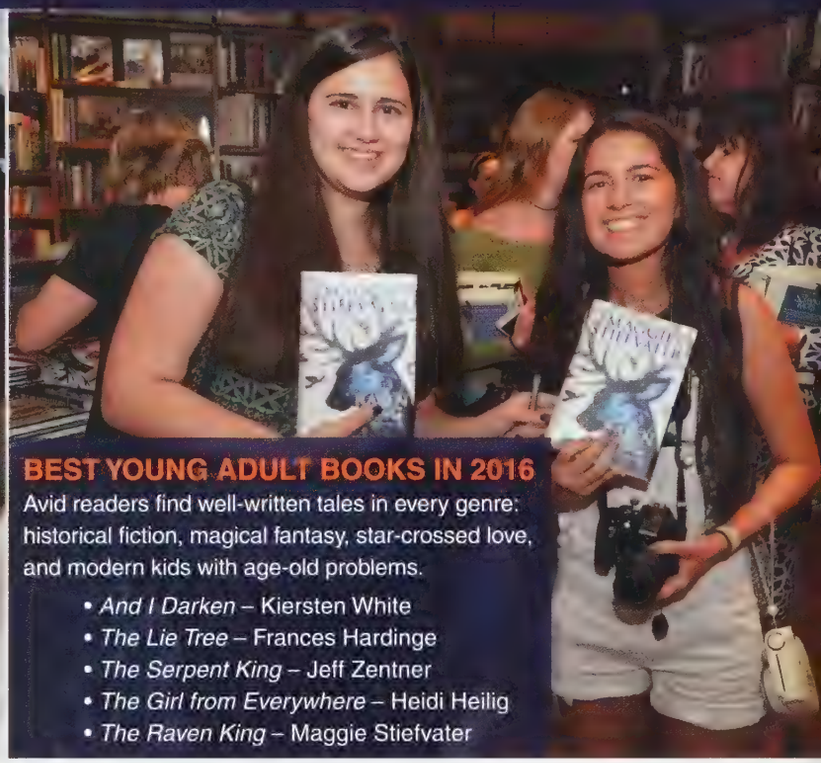
- Spotify
- Instagram
- Twitter
- What's App
- Facebook Messenger



BEST YOUNG ADULT BOOKS IN 2016

Avid readers find well-written tales in every genre: historical fiction, magical fantasy, star-crossed love, and modern kids with age-old problems.

- *And I Darken* – Kiersten White
- *The Lie Tree* – Frances Hardinge
- *The Serpent King* – Jeff Zentner
- *The Girl from Everywhere* – Heidi Heilig
- *The Raven King* – Maggie Stiefvater

Things your parents did but you may never do:

- Miss your favourite TV show or sit through all of the commercials
- Roll down the car window manually
- Use a printed paper map on a road trip
- Rent a movie that the person before you did not rewind
- Use a printed encyclopedia to do homework
- Look for a phone number in a book
- Develop a roll of film to see pictures taken
- Hear a typewriter

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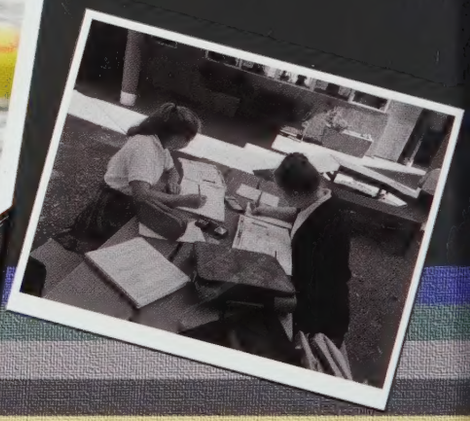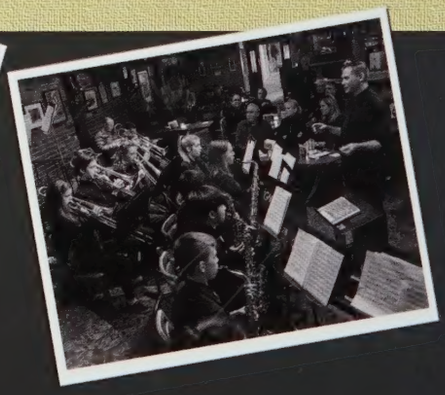
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